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UNDER THE PUNKAH.

By J. PENN.

Parsons and Pressmen.

It is passing strange that, within the short space of a single week, both preachers and writers have come into the local limelight—and, stranger still, neither seem to have been shown at their best. Rude remarks have been passed about the long leave enjoyed by local parsons, and acidulated comment has been made by local editors concerning the recently-formed Penman's Pub—I beg pardon, I should have said the Hong Kong Journalists' Association. Now it is quite obvious that a man whose name is Penn—and a J. Penn at that—must have some literary leanings. And mention of leaning, of course, naturally reminds me of the bar. I gather, from certain comments which have appeared in the Press, that a bar has been opened in, at, or on, the premises of the Hong Kong Journalists' Association. Students of the subject will be aware of the fact that there are several sorts of bars—there is the harbour-bar, alleged to be always moaning; there is the hotel bar, the horizontal bar and the parallel bars—yes, but not *this* weather, thank you; there is the bar that has beats in it (ask Dick Bartly), and the bar that has "cats" in it (ask anybody); there is the ice-cream-bar, Bessie's-bar, the fish-bar, oyster-bar, prison-bars, bar sinister, bar ometer, bar man (and, in dear old England, the bar maid). Well now, before I get really indignant upon the subject, I want to know just what sort of a bar it is the Journalists' Association has opened. Perhaps I had better reserve judgment and further comment until I have been up there to see for myself.

As for the parsons, their fine houses, long holidays and short hours, I don't know that I can usefully add anything to what has been said on the subject by the devastating critic who has already had his say. Maybe it would be only fair to wait and see what sort of an answer the Bishop himself will make—if he can spare the time to make one while on vacation. Certainly parsons out East have a very much easier time than Pressmen. That's why it is they can occasionally employ their energies in telling Editors how to do their work—yet I will bet five dollars to one there are more Editors capable of delivering a good sermon than there are parsons able to write a week's supply of editorial articles.

The parson stands secure from public criticism in the pulpit, whereas the "unlucky Editor's" words are set out in black and white for all to criticise—and believe me, they do! But let us not get morbid, brethren; let us be of good cheer, and laugh together at the story of Sandy and Donald, as follows:—"Hae ye seen the new minister yet, Sandy?" "Aye, Donald; Ah was at the manse last night." "Were ye? What kind o' mon is he?" "Weel, varra liberal wi' the whisky, but the quality—mon, Ah verra nearly left some."

Sad Days for Civil Servants.

It is really pathetic to see the grim, gaunt figures and strained, haggard faces of Civil Servants nowadays. Gone are the happy smiles, the cheery greetings, and the plump, well-groomed official forms. Not a day passes without an exchange between Departmental colleagues of melancholy invitations to a farewell-dinner, morbidly arranged in anticipation of the coming "axe." Dear old pals of many years pass their few remaining days together in making ante-axe farewells presentations to each other during and after office-hours.

Never since the discovery of this Colony by Columbus in 1492, has there been such an air of deep gloom and grim despondency over that section of the community which must perforce face the slings and arrows of outrageous fortune and unkind criticism without ever uttering a word of protest or defence. (I recently had the great pleasure of listening to a Civil Servant explaining—in a florid and fervid address lasting nearly fifty-five minutes—how unfair it was that his lips should be sealed and his tongue bereft of action by Royal Proclamation, thereby depriving him of the Englishman's birth-right to be heard before being hung.)

Even in the still watches of the night the unhappy Civil Servant is haunted by visions of the Axe-Men—cruel monsters whose remorseless hands wield murderous weapons which, when brought into violent contact with the neck, cause a severance of the cervical vertebrae that not even a Christian Scientist could pretend not to notice.

Gum-Shoe Silence.

The Reducing Experts (and by this I don't mean punk roller operators) are going about their work very quietly. Hopes had been expressed in some quarters that a brass-band would be engaged to herald their approach to the various places coming under their observation, but any such vulgar ostentation has been very studiously avoided. Rubber-heels and gum-shoes have been served out to all the Axe-men, and no man knoweth when, or whence they come, or whether they go. In spite, however, of the most desperate efforts to maintain strict secrecy as to their doings, I have secured the following absolutely unauthentic details of some recent incidents in connection with their activities.

The Chamber of Horrors (location suppressed by censor). Mr. Wadnotes—"Gentlemen, before this meeting of Reducing Experts is adjourned, I would like to move that, from 50 to 500 members of the public service be decorated with the Royal and Ancient Order of the Boot, provided the findings of Mr. Sherlock Longears, our private investigator, warrants this drastic step."

Private Inquiries.

"Sherlock Longears accordingly visits the Bridge (Contract) Department, disguised as a score-block, and notes with great interest what (and who) is passing. Thence, disguised as a query-mark, to the General Intelligence Department, where men with bulging brain-boxes keep voluminous records of the daily death-roll of anopheles, of the revolutions of the wheels attached to the Lord High Commissioner's car, of the migrations of white ants, and a thousand other daily comings, goings, and doings. Finally he comes to a corridor leading to the Reception Room of the Utility Bureau. Longears, peeping in, sees the clerks all idle, and enters boldly, disguised as a distinguished stranger. He is cordially welcomed by the Principal Jester, who offers him a glass of an expensive brand of champagne, caviare sandwiches, and cigarettes. He accepts and, after another generous helping, asks—"What do you all do here every day?" "Jester—"Eat, drink, and talk." "Longears—"Do you do no work at all?" "Jester (surprised):—"Work! Work is meant for slaves, fools, and horses!" Sherlock takes another tumbler of champagne for luck, selects a cigar, and departs, murmuring to himself—"Good work, old bean; five more candidates for the Order of the Boot. Now to report to the Reducing Experts."

High Strain.

Before finally leaving the painful and distressing topic of work, I wonder if you know that old chestnut about the two builders' labourers—rather, three—but let's get on with the story. Said one navy to another:—"Look at pore old Bill, there. 'Is sight's so bad 'e's a-workin' 'imself to death." "Wot's 'is sight got to do with it?" asked the second navy. "W'y, pore feller," replied the first, "e's so short-sighted 'e can't see when the boss ain't lookin', so 'e 'as to keep on workin' all the time." There is a moral to this story, but at the moment I cannot think what it is. Perhaps some super-civil Civil Servant can supply it.

Ring Off!

"Hello! I want to book a box for four on Thursday evening." "Sorry, sir! But our boxes only hold one."

"Aren't you the Hilarium Theatre?"

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Diary of Coming Events.

To-day.

(August 9.)

Open Air Concert Indian Recreation Club, Sookunpoo, 8.45 p.m.

Queen's Theatre: "Harmony at Home."

World Theatre: "Shakedown" and "Virgin Queen."

Star Theatre: "Fighting Love."

Central Theatre: "Dangerous Curves."

Majestic Theatre: "Three Sinners."

Lawn Bowls:—Div. 1: Kowloon Dock v. Taikoo, Craigengower v. Civil Service, Bowling Green v. Police, Kowloon C.C. v. Club de Recreio.

Electric R.C. Taikoo v. Kowloon C.C., Civil Service v. Bowling Green, Yacht Club v. Craigengower.

Tea Dance: Peninsula Hotel, 5.30 p.m.

Dinner Dance: Repulse Bay Hotel, 8.30 p.m.

Tides: High, 9.07 a.m. and 11.17 p.m.; Low, 2.38 a.m. and 4.21 p.m.

European Mail:—Inward: Europe via Negapatam (Kashima Maru); Europe via Siberia (Pres. Garfield). Outward: Europe via Siberia (Kashima Maru), 3.30 p.m.

Sunday.

(August 10.)

Queen's Theatre: "Lone Star Ranger."

World Theatre: "The Life of Tuchun" (Chinese film).

Star Theatre: "Paradise for Two."

Central Theatre: "Dangerous Curves."

Tides: High, 9.07 a.m. and 11.17 p.m.; Low, 2.38 a.m. and 4.21 p.m.

Monday.

(August 11.)

Queen's Theatre: "Lone Star Ranger."

World Theatre: "The Life of Tuchun" (Chinese film).

Star Theatre: "Paradise for Two."

Central Theatre: "Dangerous Curves."

Anniversary of German Constitution Day. Reception by Consul for Germany at 115, The Peak, 11.45 to 12.30 p.m.

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Water Polo:—1st Div.: Somersets v. V.R.C.

Tides: High, 10.10 a.m. and 11.51 p.m.; Low, 3.59 a.m. and 5.22 p.m.

Tuesday.

(August 12.)

Queen's Theatre: "Lone Star Ranger."

World Theatre: "The Life of Tuchun" (Chinese film).

Star Theatre: "New York."

Central Theatre: "The Love Parade."

Dinner Dance: Peninsula Hotel, 6.30 p.m.

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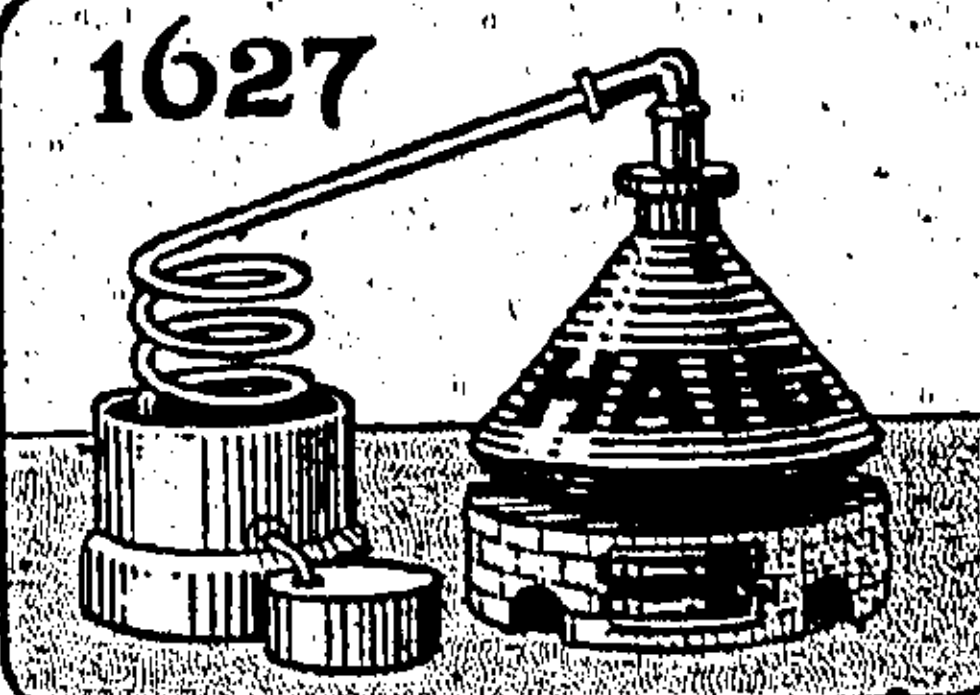
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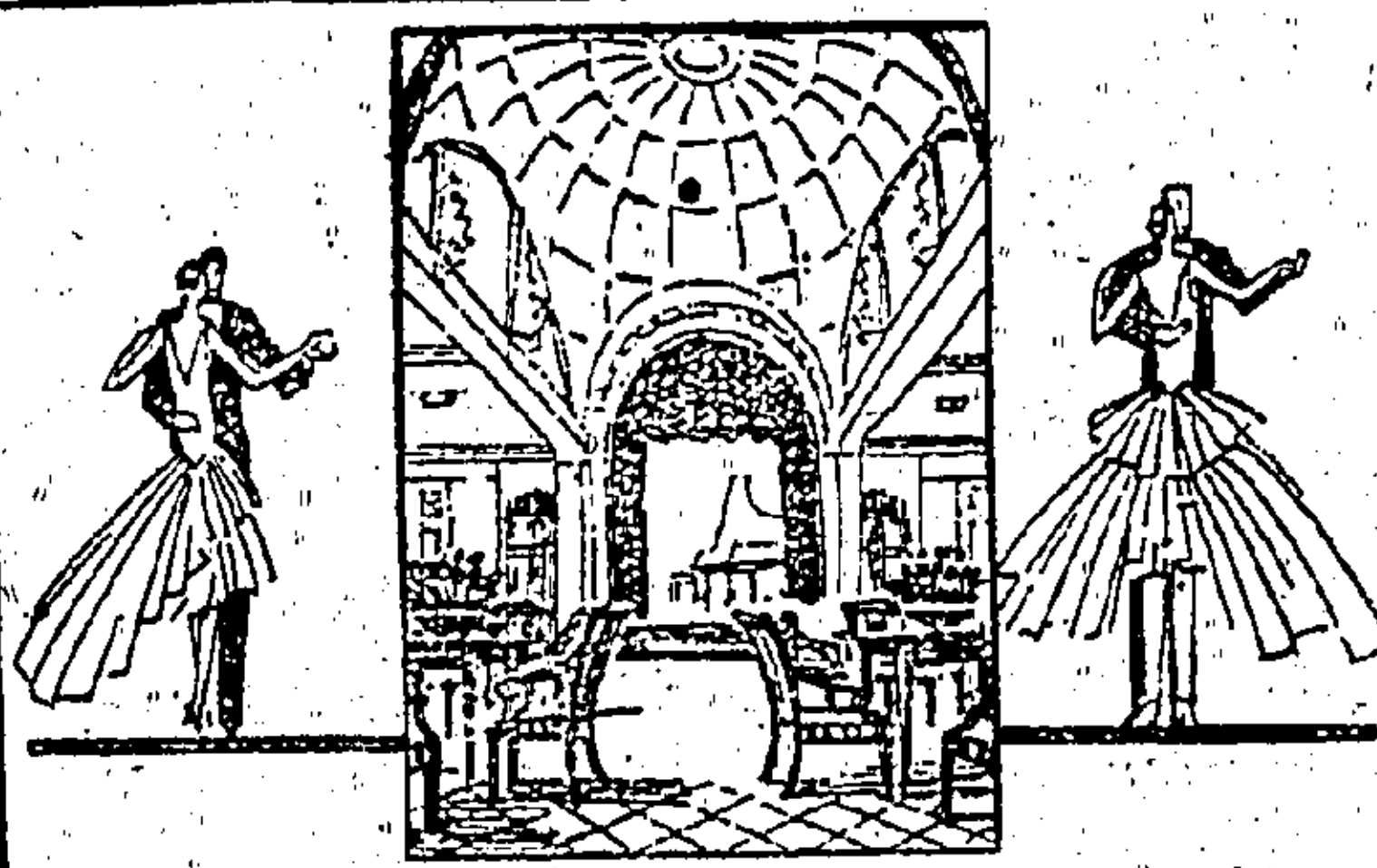
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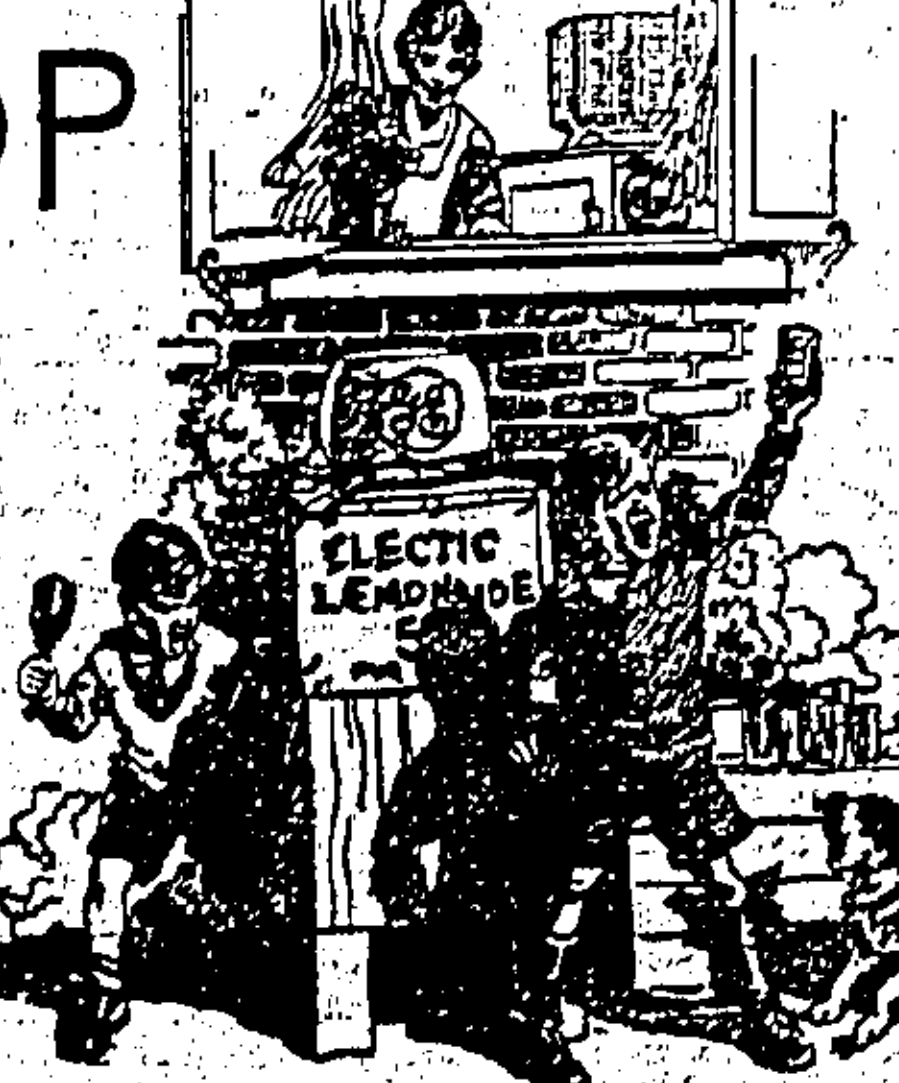
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LICENSING BENCH
"TWADDLE."

A MAGISTRATE'S CRITICISM

INEFFICIENCY IN ADMINISTRATION.

Sir Alfred Davies, who recently gave evidence before the Licensing Commission, made proposals at a conference called by the Magistrates' Association at Bournemouth last month for ensuring greater efficiency in the administration of the licensing laws. Sir Alfred suggested that a committee of the licensing justices should visit licensed premises in their area annually, if possibly, and periodically certainly. Licensed victuallers should be made to live up to their name and supply something more than beer, which brought in profits. The licensee should be protected against signing agreements which contained clauses that were a denial of the elementary rights of Englishmen. All documents under which a licence was held should be deposited with the clerk to the magistrates fourteen days before the annual licensing meeting in order that they could be thoroughly examined.

Sir Alfred said there was a great deal of inefficiency in connection with the licensing administration, and the inefficiency led to demands for alteration of the law which would not have been put forward if the existing laws of England were better understood and adequately administered. It led to demands for prohibition and other remedies.

Sir Alfred gave an amusing imitation of what he said was a typical speech by some chairman of licensing justices. The delegates obviously appreciated Sir Alfred's histrionic abilities, for they laughed uproariously as he mimicked the pontifical airs adopted by characters with which they were familiar. The speech, said Sir Alfred, always ended "The licences are renewed." Sir Alfred added: "I venture to say that when a chairman of the licensing meeting makes a speech like that there is not much real administration behind it. No one with a close and intimate knowledge of all that went on behind the scenes could conscientiously indulge in poems of praise and mutual admiration on such an occasion. A knowledge of the facts would be too strong for him, and a consciousness of the enormous amount of work yet to be done to get through licensing administration in the area would be too restricted. Those things would lie too heavily upon his mind and conscience to allow a justice to indulge in any such twaddle."

Illicit Practices.

Many justices never darkened the doors of the licensed premises in their own area and knew nothing about the practices indulged in to draw trade, often illicitly through the back door or other surreptitious means, such as by lotteries, which sailed very near to the wind in infringing the Gaming Act. He had known of a case when a man had constituted the brewers' secretary his attorney to make all statements, sign all documents, and give all necessary consent to what he threw him out of the house. Even the agreement but before the magistrates was sometimes supplemented by another agreement which had not been before the magistrates. It was up to the licensing magistrates to stop such a state of affairs. They wanted fair play for everybody. The public were deceived and the magistrates hoodwinked.

A woman delegate wearing Salvation Army uniform questioned Sir Alfred about licensed grocers, who offered many temptations to women.

Sir Alfred said they might or might not approve of licensed grocers. They were not to be taken into consideration, and he was afraid they would have to put up with them. Sir Alfred, replying to further questions, said he was opposed to fancy licences of any kind. "I dislike favours being shown to the rich" (Continued at foot of next column.)

THE BURNING OF
THE "ASIA."

ARAB BOY'S BRAVERY.

The disaster to the pilgrim ship Asia off Jeddah and the gallantry of an Arab boy in one of the rescue parties are described by a Statesman correspondent in what is perhaps the only first-hand account of the episode that has yet been published. The Statesman correspondent heard the story during a ship's stay at Kidderpore, where are the principal dockyards of Calcutta. He writes:—

Three ship's officers, who were casual acquaintances, seeing an Arab boy in the clutches of some roughs in a back street in Kidderpore, set about them with six hard-hitting fists and brought the boy in safety to a banyan's shop. There the boy and one of the officers recognised each other as having recently left the same ship in Bombay, and the officer started his companions by declaring that the boy was the biggest hero he had ever known in a long sea career. Explanations were demanded, and the following story was told:—

"We were lying off Jeddah outside the reefs" (the officer said), "and besides ourselves there were three steamers, including the Asia, which, anchored a quarter of a mile from us, had just taken on board 1,500 Arab pilgrims. We were six miles from Jeddah town; on account of the reefs ships of our size can't get nearer. The first officer and the rest of us were engaged in a game of bridge when the Asia caught fire. The French provide the pilgrims with reed mattresses to lie on deck, and I suppose somebody dropped a match on one. Fifteen hundred pilgrims and the ship on fire from stem to stern. It's the worst show I've ever been in—and I've seen some queer sights in my thirty years at sea. We put out seven boats, each commanded by a European."

Mad With Fear.

"The French captain tried to get the boats out, but the pilgrims, mad with fear, swamped the only two he managed to get on the water. He attempted to induce the pilgrims quietly to descend the gangways, which were down the side of the ship, but they fought so frenziedly that the gangways collapsed under the strain. One of our fellows was knocked out of his boat by the pilgrims as they fell. Some of the passengers flung themselves overboard when we approached, but not all reached us. Those waters are shark-infested. We pulled in under the Asia's stern and called on the pilgrims to jump. We could do no more. The sides of the ship were red-hot, and to look through the portholes was like looking into a furnace. The passengers fought each other for a place at the handrails. At the back of the deck, screaming mobs of men, was a large number of women who were too frightened to move. It seemed all up with them when Abdul here (the boy) who was in my boat, volunteered to try and rescue them. The anchor chains were glowing, but he climbed up them. Goodness knows how he did it. And how he got through that mob is equally a mystery. The decks were falling in, and even the most panic-stricken of the men were flinging themselves into the sea. Most of the women were unconscious, and all Abdul had time to do was of drop them over to us. We then had to beat off the sharks. The boy was up there five hours saving those women, and we never thought to see him alive again. Several times he looked to me to have fallen into the roaring hold. Now what price a hero?"

[The Asia was a total loss in consequence of the fire. On May 20 her owners announced that 100 people perished in the fire or in attempting to escape it.]

brewer or the rich railway director which are not given to the humblest publican in the land," he said. "Treat all alike and you won't go far wrong."

Mr. G. T. Whitely, clerk to the Newington Justices, speaking of the laws of evidence, said they must treat constables as other men. It was true that some of them might confer with each other as to what they were going to say, "but," he added, "it is not only constables who do that."

Mr. G. H. Stuart-Bunning, chairman of the Newington Bench, related an instance where he was threatened to lay information. "He not only told me to lay information, but he told me when I could lay it," said Mr. Bunning amid a roar of laughter. "At the end of it all he informed me he was leaving the house in the morning."

RICH MAN WHO
VANISHED.

SHARE IN £200,000 FOR HIM—IF ALIVE.

17-YEAR-OLD RIDDLE.

A man who disappeared 17 years ago in London may share in a £200,000 estate if, as his former legal adviser believes, he is alive and will return from the jungle lands of Quintana Roo, Mexico.

The man is or was Joseph W. Martin, once a wealthy cotton broker here.

Mr. S. M. Neely, former attorney for Martin, is now giving testimony in the Chancery Court at Memphis Tennessee, preparatory to the distribution of the £200,000 estate of the late William M. Wood, grandfather of Martin.

Meeting on a Boat.

The lawyer states that a man named Clarence S. Eldridge told him that he was recently a passenger with Martin on a boat bound for Yucatan, and later spent a night with Martin at a chicken ranch he owned near Santa Cruz de Bravo, Mexico.

Mr. Neely produced a number of letters from Eldridge, and said he had learned that Martin was haunted by the fear of debts, which at one time, are said to have totalled nearly £30,000, but all of which have since been paid by relatives.

Eldridge now is said to be in Los Angeles. It was stated that his deposition would probably be obtained within the next two weeks.

"All Well" Letter.

The disappearance of Mr. Martin, in London in April, 1913, is one of Scotland Yard's unsolved mysteries. The American was in London on business and left two friends at the Royal Automobile Club on the night of April 3, and was never seen again.

He was in evening dress and his opera hat and wallet were later found on the bank of the Thames at the south end of Hungerford Bridge. The wallet had been ripped open and the money it had contained had disappeared.

Two weeks after disappearance a London friend of Mr. Martin received the following telegram from Vevey, Switzerland: "Cease inquiries; all well, writing—J. W. Martin."

The promised letter never came and eventually the investigation was dropped.

COUNCILLOR GETS A
DUCKING.

END OF BATHING PROTEST.

From the bathing-place at Wolvercote, at which the Oxford City Council has decided to erect butts, comes the story of a councillor's misfortune. While men and boys were bathing Councillor F. Glasgow arrived and it is stated, endeavored to persuade them to desist. When he was standing conveniently near the water gentle persuasion was used and the many spectators then saw a very wet councillor climbing back out of the river.

Interviewed by a reporter the councillor said: "As the bathing-place is by the side of the road and women have undressed in the open many residents have complained. I was merely suggesting to the bathers that there should be no mixed baters till the building of the dressing butts which the Council are erecting at a cost of £200. While we were talking someone did give me a push and in I went."

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While many things, directly or indirectly, may cause stomach trouble, any medical man will tell you that over nine-tenths of all cases of indigestion are due to or accompanied by acidity and food fermentation. Excess acid accumulates in the stomach and turns the food into a souring, fermenting mass, which produces painful gases and still more acid, and is usually directly responsible for indigestion, dyspepsia, heartburn, acidity, flatulence, and gastritis. To rid yourself of this harmful acid quickly, safely and surely, you should take a little Bisulphate of Magnesia after eating or when pain is felt. This not only gives quick relief by instantly neutralising stomach acid, but soothes and heals your acid-inflamed stomach lining. "Bisulphate" Magnesia (powder or tablets) is sold by all chemists.

WOMAN'S CORNER.

CULTURE PEARLS.

HISTORY OF JAPANESE
INDUSTRY.

It is generally known that the pearl is the product of the Orient by the name "The Oriental Pearl." The most famous places for pearl production in Japan are Ago Bay and its vicinity in Ise and Omura Bay in Nagasaki. In these places fishery of the pearl oyster was prohibited during the Tokuyawa era, as they used the pearl for medicine. At that time, the oyster was protected and naturally thrived very rapidly, but during the Restoration, when everything was disorganised, great quantities of pearl oyster were left to be caught.

Mr. Mikimoto first realized that the pearl fisheries of Japan were being rapidly depleted and attempted to restore the supply by cultivating the oyster. In 1890, he exhibited some living pearl oysters in the Aquarium of the Third National Industrial Exhibition in Tokyo. Here he made the acquaintance of the late Dr. K. Mikakuri, Professor of Zoology at the Imperial University of Tokyo, who suggested to him the possibility of producing pearls by a cultural method.

Being deeply interested in the subject, Mr. Mikimoto then settled on an island in the centre of Ago

Bay where for many years he experimented. After long, hard and weary years he discovered a way of producing the gem by applying science to the little shellfish, and success at last crowned his efforts in 1898. Even to-day it may be claimed that the Mikimoto pearl-culture farm is the only one in the world which undertakes the extensive cultivation of the precious mollusc and produces "culture pearls" on a commercial scale.

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Mary: "What a benefit education is, ma'am!"

Chatty Neighbour: "Your children don't seem to grow much."

Unsuccessful Amateur Gardener: "No, they spend too much time in this garden."

She: "The clock just struck one, and you promised Mother you'd leave at twelve!"

He (comfortably): "Good! We have eleven hours yet!"

A young minister, called upon unexpectedly to address a Sunday-school class, asked, to gain time:—

"Children, what shall I speak about?"

A little girl who was in the habit of reciting at entertainments had committed to memory several declamations, so that she was prepared for any occasion. Sympathy and interest shone in her face as she held up her hand and inquired in a skilful voice:—

"What do you know best?"

The street car was crowded and a gentleman with a kindly twinkle in his eye took 5-year-old Tommy on his lap.

"This will be better than standing, won't it, my boy?" he suggested.

"Yes," said Tommy, rather reluctantly, for he had enjoyed lurching about in the car.

"But you want to be careful that I don't take your money," the old man said in a whisper.

"Can't," Tom retorted, his voice somewhat muffled. "As soon as I saw you looking at me I put my penny in my mouth."

"Sure thing," was the tipster's reply. "Why, that horse has won the Derby twice, the Waterloo Cup three times, and beat Aston Villa on their own ground."

Johnny was a scholarship boy, and the headmaster said to Hodge, his father, "Your son's Latin is very bad."

"But—what's he want to learn Latin for?" said Hodge. "He may never go there."

The umpire didn't know too much about cricket, but he was determined to stand no nonsense. The first ball of the match pitched well off the wicket, broke in, and hit the batsman's pads.

"Out!" said the astonished batsman. "What for?"

"All the afternoon," said the umpire.

A young officer, home on leave from India, had been entertained by his friends, not wisely, but too well. When he arrived home he was anxious to save his mother—who had always thought he was a troublemaker—from seeing him in his present condition, so he tried to find a place where he could hide without fear of being discovered until the morning.

Finally he curled himself into a ball in a hipbath and somehow managed skilfully to balance another hipbath on the top.

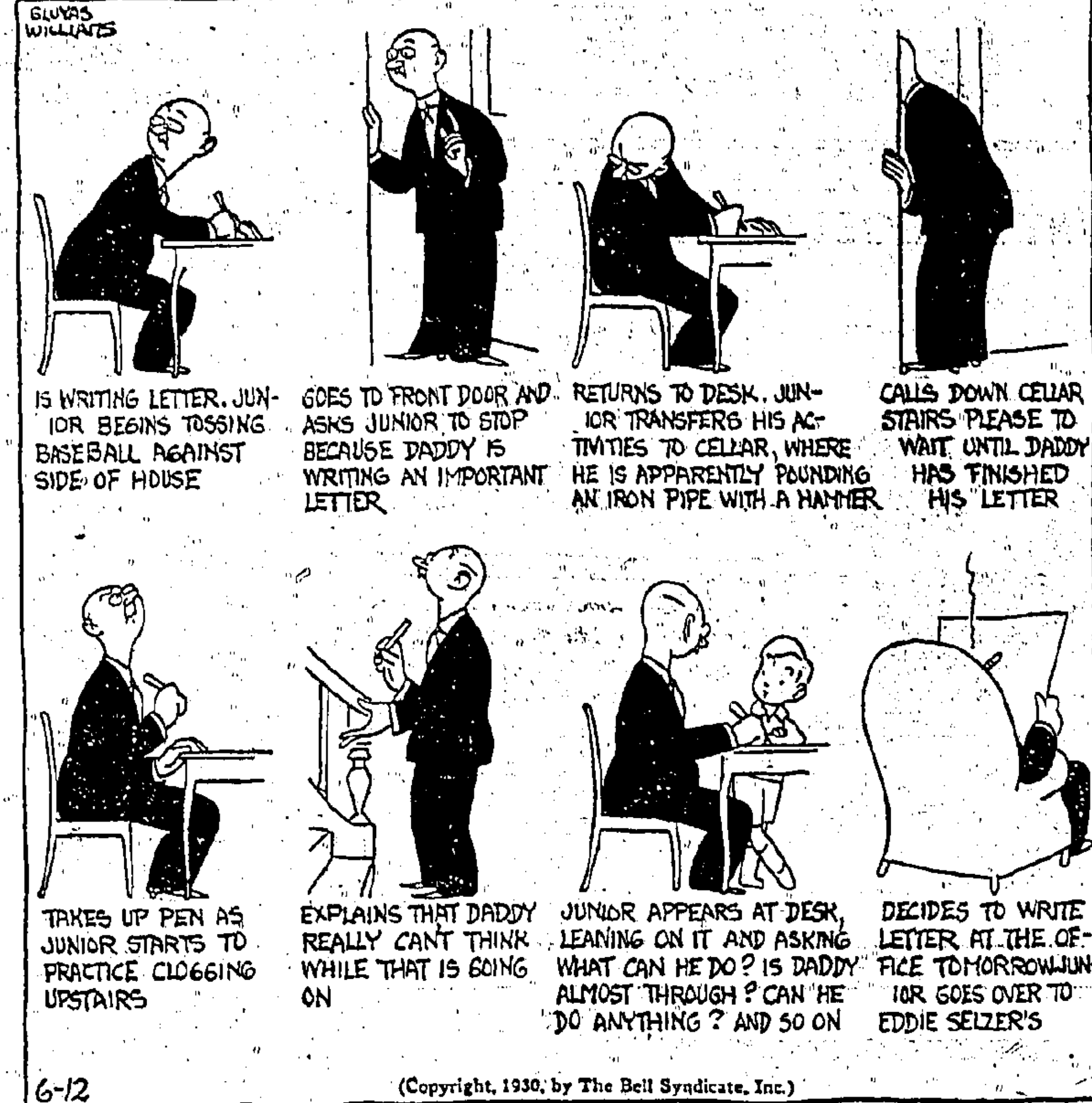
Later, however, his mother, not having heard her son return home, proceeded to investigate, and at last came upon the two hipbaths.

"Are you there, dear?" she gasped in astonishment.

"Sh—sh—sh," said a voice in an undertone, as a head peeped through from between the two baths. "Not a word! I'm an oyster."

SNAPSHOTS OF A MAN WRITING A LETTER AT HOME

By GLUYAS WILLIAMS



TO-DAY'S WIRELESS PROGRAMME.

BROADCAST BY Z.B.W. ON 353 METRES.

11 to 11.30 a.m.—Commercial News.

11.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.—Chinese programme.

12.30 to 1.15 p.m.—European recorded programme.

1.15 to 1.45 p.m.—Organ recital by Mr. F. Mason, A.R.C.O., L.T.C.

(1) Introduction to Act 3—Tannhauser (Wagner).

(2) Alpine Sketch, Cyril Scott.

(3) La Mort D'Ase and Solveig's Song, Grieg.

(4) Allegretto in B Minor, Guilman.

(5) Spring Song, Mendelssohn.

1.45 p.m.—Recorded music continued.

2 p.m.—Close down.

7 p.m.—European programme of Victor and H.M.V. records selected and supplied by Messrs. Moutrie & Co.

1812 Overture (Tchaikowsky), Royal Opera Orchestra.

Eugen Onegin—Waltz (Tchaikowsky), Royal Opera Orch.

When the Sergeant Major's on Parade and The Boys of the Old Brigade, Peter Dawson, Bass-Baritone.

Morning, Noon and Night in Vienna (Suppe), Vienna Philharmonic Orchestra.

If Love Were All, Ivy St. Helier (Soprano).

Zigeuner, Peggy Wood (Soprano).

Early Ragtime Memories, Jack Hylton and His Orchestra.

I'm Blase and Prophecies, Norman Long, Humorous.

Lilac Domino—Vocal Gems (Cavillier) and Chocolate Soldier—Vocal Gems (Strauss), Light Opera Co.

If I Had a Talking Picture of You and I'm a Dreamer (Aren't We All), Gracie Fields, Comedienne.

Veronique—Vocal Gems (Messager) and The Arcadians—Vocal Gems (Moutrie), Light Opera Co.

Toasts and Down in Our Village in Zummerzet, Norman Long, Humorous.

9 p.m.—Weather report and local Press news.

Lilac Time—Vocal Gems (Schubert), Light Opera Co.

Thought of You and That's How I Feel About You, Sweetheart, Gracie Fields, Comedienne.

Clowns in Clover—Selection, The New Mayfair Orchestra.

Under the Bazzuka Tree and The Good Little Boy and the Bad Little Boy, Norman Long, Humorous.

Wake Up and Dream—Vocal Gems and Mister Cinderella—Vocal Gems, Light Opera Co.

If I Didn't Miss You and I've Always Wanted to Call You My Sweetheart, Gracie Fields, Comedienne.

Dear Love—Vocal Gems, Light Opera Co.

The Roast Beef of Old England and There's Nothing Over Sixpence in the Store, Ernest Hastings, Humorous.

Old Time Songs, Jack Hylton and His Orchestra.

DANCE PROGRAMME.

9.30 p.m.—Extra—Waltz—"The Desert Song" and "Huguette."

1. Fox Trot—"That's Why I'm Jealous of You" and "Kiss Me My Sweetheart."

2. Blues—"Deep Night" and "Weary River."

3. Fox Trot—"Sing a Little Love Song" and "Hittin' the Ceiling."

4. Fox Trot—"Steppin' Along" and "Too Wonderful for Words."

5. Blues—"Nobody But You" and "Orange Blossom Time."

6. Fox Trot—"Only a Rose" and "Song of the Vagabonds."

10.30 p.m.—

7. Waltz—"Shepherd's Serenade" and "My Song of the Nile."

8. Fox Trot—"Waiting at the End of the Road" and "Charming."

9. Blues—"If I Had a Talking Picture of You" and "Sunny Side Up."

10. Fox Trot—"Hoosier Hop" and "I'm Following You."

11. One Step—"Dark Night" and "Into My Heart."

11.25 p.m.—

12. Waltz—"Dream Lover."

Extras—"Happy Days Are Here Again" (Fox Trot), "Lucky Me—Lovable You" (Fox Trot), "I Never Dreamt You'd Fall in Love With Me" (Blues) and "I Still Remember" (Blues).

There will be an interval of approximately two to three minutes between dances.

11.30 p.m.—Close down.

SUNDAY.

11 a.m.—Morning Service relayed from St. John's Cathedral. At the end of the service there will be a Chinese programme from the Studio until 1 p.m.

1.30 p.m.—Weather report.

9 p.m.—Weather report.

9 to 10.30 p.m.—European programme of Columbia records selected and supplied by Messrs. Anderson Music Co.

The Gipsy Baron—Selection (Strauss), Johann Strauss and Symphony Orchestra.

Concerto No. 2 in F Minor for Piano and Orchestra (Chopin); four records played by Marguerite Long (Piano) with orchestra de la Societe des Concerts du Conservatoire, Paris, conducted by Philippe Colburt.

Classics—Selection (Ewing), Quentin Maclean, Organ Solo.

Toccata in F (Bach), Organ Solo by Anton Van Der Horst.

Die Fledermaus—Selection (Strauss), Johann Strauss and Symphony Orchestra.

Albumblatt (Willoughby) and Trautman, J. H. Squire Celeste Octette.

Strauss and Thousand and One Nights—Waltz (Strauss), Johann Strauss and Symphony Orchestra.

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10.30 p.m.—Close down.

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Poor Punchinello with an "It" punch has come to the Central Theatre in "Dangerous Curves," the latest Clara Bow-Paramount release.

Miss Bow changes character in this one. She graduates from the dizzy, chuckleheaded flapper class to work for her master's degree in tragic comedy. How she does it is "nobody's business." For the record, however, let it be said that she injected as much vigour, enthusiasm, and charm in the portrayal of a short-skirted and spangled bare-back rider as she formerly did as a scatter-brained, adolescent girl.

A splendid background of circus atmosphere has been brought to the picture by Paramount and the direction of Lother Mendes is excellent. To Miss Bow go the highest honours for acting that rings true, and to Arlen and Miss Francis go the secondary tributes for their intelligent support.

WHEEL RAIDED IN SHANGHAI.

SMART COUP BY THE FRENCH POLICE.

At 11.30 p.m. on August 1 the French Police raided a house at 47 Rue Massenet, where it was suspected that two roulette wheels had been operating for four days. The raid was so sudden and unexpected that 63 persons were caught red-handed at games of chance varying from roulette to crap shooting.

Before raiding the house, the police were faced with the difficult task of diverting the attention of the French press. This was accomplished by staging a mock fight at some distance from the house. When the watchmen went to see what was happening they were arrested. They gave their names as M. Matley and A. Miller.

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REDS ARRESTED IN SINGAPORE.

ATTEMPTED COMMUNIST DEMONSTRATION.

Shortly after 11 a.m. on August 8 300 Hylams gathered outside the Chinese Protectorate in Singapore in an attempt to create a disturbance, but before they had time to organise themselves they were dispersed by the police who made 28 arrests.

The Hylams had drifted unobtrusively to the Chinese Protectorate and formed themselves into small groups scattered about the road to avoid detection.

When they were all there a hawker came along the road wheeling a barrow. He stopped outside the door of the Protectorate, and the 300 Hylams closed in on him and taking leaflets, banners and other seditious documents from the barrow began to wave them in the air.

All these banners and leaflets contained definite incitements to overthrow Great Britain and lauded the advantages of Communism.

Some of the inflammatory exhortations on the banners and in the leaflets were:—

"Overthrow British Imperialism and the British reign in Malaya."

"Long Live Communism."

"Oppose British Imperialists. Preparation of war in Malaya."

"We have come to demand work."

Easily Dispersed.

The police arrived almost immediately the Hylams became active and dispersed them with little difficulty. Those who were not arrested fled, leaving their pamphlets and banners to be scattered by the wind.

One Hylam, who was carrying a huge red banner—"Malaya is suffering from oppressed classes. Rise up!"—had his banner seized by the police. He was arrested and when questioned said he did not understand what the words on the banner meant.

The object of the demonstration was to create a riot near the Chinese Protectorate. It had no support from anyone but Hylams.

The actual demonstration might have assumed serious proportions had it not been for the police. As it was it was a failure.

There were no injuries.

Special Precautions.

The Singapore police and other authorities took every precaution to frustrate any attempt at disturbance and demonstrations by local Communists.

The authorities took no chances and special police patrols of both uniformed and plain clothes men were posted for duty.

Police Active.

The police seized a number of banners and leaflets in Stamford Road, Tanjong Pagar, Geylang and other parts of the town. The leaflets, issued by the Malayan Communist Party were addressed to "the workers, sailors and all the oppressed masses in this Colony."

Other circulars strewn indiscriminately in the streets called for a mammoth demonstration of the "oppressed" against the trade depression and the consequent unemployment to be held before the offices of the Chinese Protectorate. No demonstration was made, however.

A Hylam who was arrested by a special patrol in Eu Tong Sen Street was charged in the Police Courts with distributing seditious literature and was remanded. Another Hylam, arrested at Geylang has been similarly charged and remanded.

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ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL,
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August 10, 1930, 8th Sunday after
Trinity.

Holy Communion at 8 a.m.
Holy Communion (Peak Church) at
8 a.m.

Parade Service at 9.15 a.m.
Children's Service at 10 a.m.

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Subject: SPIRIT.

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(a.)—Corps Band.—Until further
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at 8 p.m.

(b.)—Battery.—There will be a
lecture at Headquarters on Thurs-
day, August 14, at 5.30 p.m.

(c.)—Engineer Company.—Mon-
day, August 11. Team shoot with
R.E. at Kennedy Road Range.
Truck will leave Headquarters at
5.00 a.m.

DELIVERY FOR N.C.O.'S.—The fol-
lowing N.C.O.'s were passed as
proficient on the Defence Lights
engine by Lieut. A. M. Anstruther,
R.E., on Thursday, July 31.—Sergeant
Owen, Sergeant Coom, Corporal Salter,
Lieutenant Hooper.

The class will carry on with the
lamp instruction on the 2nd and
4th Thursdays in each month.

(d.)—Corps Signals.—Signal class
will parade at Corps Headquarters
at 5.30 p.m. on Thursday, August
14.

(e.)—Machine Gun Troop.—
Parade at Causeway Bay Stables
at 5.30 p.m. on Thursday, August
14.

(f.)—Armoured Car Company.—
Car Section: Parade at Kowloon
Canton Railway Garage at 5.30 p.m.
on Friday, August 15; for driving
instruction.

Motor Cycle Section: Parade at
Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Fri-
day, August 16; for Machine Gun
instruction.

(g.)—Machine Gun Company.—
N.C.O.'s Classes will be held on
Tuesday and Friday, August 12 and
15, at Headquarters at 5.30 p.m.
in multi.

August 12.—Indication and Re-
cognition.

August 15.—Instruments and
Theory of Indirect Fire.

August 22.—E.G.D.

August 29.—Examination of
N.C.O.'s for promotion.

NOTICE.

The Machine Gun Company Rifle
Club will meet on the Peak Range
at 9.30 a.m. on Sunday, August 10,
for an inter-section and monthly in-
dividual spoon shoot.

Lecture: Flying.

A lecture will be given by Mr.
Vaughan Fowler in the Lecture
Room at Headquarters at 5.45 p.m.
on Monday, August 11. The subject
will be "A General Survey of
Flying."

Leave.

A 1533 Pte. J. G. H. Lander,
Machine Gun Company, No. 4
Platoon from August 2, 1930, to
August 2, 1931.

Strength.

The following recruits have been
taken on the strength and posted as
under:

No. 1579 Pte. T. Clanton, No.
7 Platoon, as from July 31, 1930.

No. 1580 Pte. M. A. Xavier, No.
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GIRL UNDERGRADUATE'S CAR DEATH.

DRIVING WHEN HUB CAP
CAME OFF

A verdict of Accidental Death was
returned at the inquest at Winter-
slow, near Salisbury (Wilts.), on
Miss Amorel Daphne Heron Allen,
aged 22, an Oxford undergraduate,
of Large Acres, Selcey (Sussex),
who was killed when a car, in which
she was driving with Mr. D.
Lazlo, son of the portrait painter,
overturned.

Police Sergeant Goode, of the
Metropolitan Police, said that he
was motor-cycling from London to
Salisbury. When he got to a hill at
Winterslow he saw an open car,
with a woman driving and a man
passenger, pass him at a speed of
25 miles per hour.

As the car
went off the hill, the car
was noticed that the steering up-
pered defective. The car went to
the right of the road, through the
hedge and down a 15ft. bank. The
man was thrown clear.

Returning their verdict, the jury
suggested that iron railings should
be placed along the road at the
spot where the accident happened.

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11, Ice House Street, or P.O. Box 1.

The defendant stated that on July 21 he received 10 jars of wine from the Wing Chan distillery. He did not tell the revenue officer that he had received them.

His Worship discharged the defendant, at the same time remarking that it was rather doubtful whether defendant did say so or not.

SGT. MADGWICK'S POIGNANT STORY.

BEREAVED HUSBAND'S ACCOUNT OF TRAGIC NIGHT AT LOK MA CHAU.

"I CALLED MY WIFE BUT SHE DID NOT REPLY."

The shooting tragedy at the Lok Ma Chau Police Station on July 21, which resulted in the death of Mrs. Madgwick and two Indian policemen, formed the subject of a Coroner's Inquiry at the Central Magistracy yesterday. Mr. R. E. Lindsell sat as Coroner.

The principal evidence came from Sergeant C. S. Madgwick, who gave a vivid account of the shooting affray.

It was stated in the course of the Inquiry that Dalip Singh, the Sikh constable, was rather "indifferent" to everything and sometimes orders to him had to be repeated. The constable, however, appeared to have taken part in the games and sports of his compatriots in the police station. It was also mentioned that he had protested against being transferred to the Lok Ma Chau Station.

At one stage Sergeant Madgwick stated that Dalip Singh had intimated that he had intended to resign from the force in spite of the fact that he had only four more months in which to complete his five years' service. Sergeant Madgwick had on that occasion advised the man to carry on as he had only such a short time to complete.

The jury comprises Mr. A. L. Shields (foreman), Mr. C. A. da Roza and Mr. A. G. Coppin. Mr. T. H. King and Mr. T. Murphy, Assistant Superintendents of Police, were in Court.

WOUNDED INDIAN CONSTABLE'S DYING WORDS.

At the outset the foreman of the Jury asked the Coroner to state the exact scope of the inquiry and what the Jury were to inquire into. They were not very clear as to the meaning of the verbal statement which the Coroner had previously made.

Mr. Lindsell said that the main purpose of the inquiry was to investigate the tragic affair at Lok Ma Chau last month. The Jury's primary function would be to ascertain the exact circumstances in which the three persons killed met their death. It was further with in the province of the Jury to determine whether any precaution could or should be maintained by the police authorities to guard against the possibility of such an affair occurring again, and secondly, whether the tragedy could have been avoided by any action on the part of the police officers in or near the Lok Ma Chau Police Station at the time. The Coroner said that covered all that might be in the Jury's province to decide.

Bereaved Husband's Evidence.

Acting Police Sergeant C. H. Madgwick said that on July 21 last he was the officer in charge of Lok Ma Chau Police Station, where he had been transferred as from May 23 of this year. Residing with him at the Station was his wife, Dora Winifred Madgwick. There were a number of police officers and others, a list of whose names was handed to the Coroner.

P.C. B543, Dalip Singh, was transferred to Lok Ma Chau Police Station on May 11, shortly after witness himself went there. Previous to July 21, Dalip Singh appeared to be rather indifferent to everything. He was rather lazy, but did not give much trouble. Orders had to be repeated to him time and again, and on July 18 a report was sent in to the A.S.P. regarding his behaviour. He was found sitting down while on duty as station guard. Till July 21, witness had received no answer to his report regarding Dalip Singh. The Indian constable was aware that a report had been sent in regarding him.

Mr. King (to Coroner): I can let your Worship have the papers, if you want them. The A.S.P. in charge of the case had fined Dalip Singh 50 cents.

Continuing, Sergeant Madgwick said that to his knowledge Dalip Singh was reported by an A.S.P. on another occasion at an inspection. He was then also fined 50 cents.

Dealing with the events that occurred on July 21, witness said that he left the Police Station at about 2 p.m. At about 5 o'clock he was returning and climbing the path leading to the Station, when he heard a shot fired. He then saw a crowd of men on the right side of the gate. Immediately after a second shot was fired, but Sergeant Madgwick still could not say where the bullet came from. Looking to the north-west side of the Station, he saw the

figure of an Indian, and later recognised it because of the orange-coloured turban worn to be that of Dalip Singh. Witness said that he then attempted to cross the path, but found that the Indian constable was directing his rifle at him.

Fully Exposed to Fire.

Witness was fully exposed to the rifle fire but was too far away to make use of his revolver and an attempt to rush at the Indian at the moment would be extremely dangerous. The Indian was about 70 or 80 yards away at that moment.

Sergeant Madgwick, therefore, left the path and ran towards the Indians' married quarters. He shouted for a rifle as he ran towards the buildings. There were then three or four more shots from Dalip Singh. As witness was approaching the quarters, he heard the alarm bell ringing. On entering the premises, he found Constables Mastan Singh and Santa Singh arming themselves.

Replying to the Coroner, witness said that from the time he heard the first shot till the moment he heard the alarm bell was only about three minutes. Each Indian constable in the Station and in the married quarters possessed a rifle and 30 rounds of ammunition.

Resuming his story, Sergeant Madgwick said that he got a rifle from one of the two Indian officers he found at the quarters. He gave the man his revolver and told Santa Singh to go to the front of the station and try to draw the fire, as the Sergeant's intention was to attempt to go to the back of the station and then rush it. When witness got to the back he decided to send for help, because everything was so quiet and silent that he did not know where the Indian was and he thought it would be better to get assistance. He therefore, sent B135 to Sheungshui Police Station.

"Sahib, Sahib!"

Witness then looked into the compound where he saw Chuja Singh lying wounded in the centre. The man called out, "Sahib, sahib," and witness was just getting ready to go to his assistance when he saw Dalip Singh just inside his verandah. The man appeared to be getting the Lewis gun into position, and when Sergeant Madgwick saw him was stooping over the weapon.

When Dalip Singh heard the wounded Indian call out, "sahib," he trained the Lewis gun on Sergeant Madgwick. "I fired one shot from my rifle," said Sergeant Madgwick, "and he returned fire with his rifle. We were sniping at each other for about ten minutes. I think I fired about seven shots. He was firing more shots than I was. As there was no chance of taking the station I retreated back to the married quarters. While we were sniping at each other I called to my wife by name several times but received no answer."

Station's Armament.

Witness said that there were three automatic guns in the Station, there being two Thompsons besides the Lewis gun. The last named were kept in the charge room ready for emergency. That was a practice handed down by witness' predecessors. There were three pans of ammunition and there were four Lewis gunners in the Station, these being B722, B315, B9 and B4. Dalip Singh knew "a little of the Lewis gun as he had volunteered to learn something of this gun when an opportunity for acquiring this knowledge was accorded to him. He had very little instructions but he might have augmented it from the knowledge he picked up from other Indians while they were cleaning the Lewis gun."

Continuing the story, Sergeant Madgwick said that he got back to the Indians' married quarters at about 5.30 to 5.45 p.m. He waited for assistance which presently arrived. Sub-Inspector O'Connor and Acting Sub-Inspector McEwan and other officers appeared. They were going along the branch road when witness heard what he thought was an automatic gun being fired. As the party was making for the Station, witness blew his whistle to warn them and later personally went out to the road to do so.

A.S.P. Arrives.

When witness arrived on the road he found that the A.S.P. of the New Territories had already arrived and the A.S.P. took him on the back of his motor cycle to Au Tau Police Station. The object of the trip was to get in touch with the D.S.P., Kowloon, by telephone. The A.S.P. duly sent a report through, and then witness came back to Lok Ma Chau. When witness got there more police officers had arrived. He himself took a rifle and went up a hill on the south side of the Police Station to find out if he could see his verandah. On the way two shots were fired at him, and he actually heard the bullets flying past him. He returned two shots, directing them at his own front verandah.

At this time, Sergeant Madgwick saw a motor boat on the river and he rushed down from the hill to warn the people not to go to the Police Station. Previously he had warned the villagers of Lok Ma Chau to keep in their houses. After that he worked round to the foot of the slope of the hill. It was dark by now, about 9 p.m. and witness said that from that point he did not do anything further until he entered the Police Station, but he had no idea what the time was.

A Tragic Moment.

On entering, he saw Dalip Singh lying dead, and he also found his wife lifeless in a sitting room.

In answer to Mr. King, Sergeant Madgwick stated that when he went out at 2 o'clock his wife was in his quarters. As far as he could gauge it, the time between the first shot and the time when he was sniping at the Indian was not more than five minutes.

Mr. King: When you failed to get an answer from your wife, did you form any conclusion in your mind?

Witness: Yes, I came to the conclusion that she was dead.

Mr. King: During that time between the first shot till you saw Bo lying in the compound did you hear any shot fired in the Station except those fired by B543?

Witness: No, Sir.

Mr. King: After you had seen Bo, did you hear revolver shots?

Witness: No, Sir.

After that, how much more fire from the Station did you hear?

Very little, Sir. I went to Au Tau. When you returned did you hear any more shots from the Police Station?—No, except the two shots that were fired at me.

The Station guard carries the keys of the cell and the station gates and grilles?—Yes.

When he changes duty, he hands them over to his relief?—Yes.

The Indian constables take turns at doing Station duty?—Yes.

So that B543 Dalip Singh had taken his turn previously as Station Guard?—Yes. He was Station Guard on the afternoon of the 16th.

At that time he had access to the keys to all the ammunition?—Yes.

Did you examine the Indian barracks the morning after the tragedy?—No, Sir. I was at the hospital.

Iron Grills On Stairs.

At the top of the stairs leading to your quarters, there is an iron grille?—Yes.

Has it ever been let down since you have been in the Station?—No, Sir. I understood it was to be used in case of an attack on the Station.

On his transfer on May 11, B543 made an application to see his Superintendent?—I arranged for him to make his complaint through the D.I.E.

Mr. King informed the Coroner that he could call evidence to show that the Indian Superintendent had nothing to do with transfer of Dalip Singh.

Mr. King (to witness): Had you any inkling that anything of this sort was going to happen?—No, Sir. The man appeared to have a grudge against the force in general. He had only four months to do, and I advised him to finish his four months and then get his discharge.

Mr. Shields (foreman of the Jury): The Jury would like to know the impression on the mind of the witness as to the state of the mind of B543, something about his general demeanour.

Witness replied that he could not say anything about that.

Mr. Shields: Did he strike you as having his mind unhinged and morbid?

Witness: As a matter of fact, he was rather jolly.

How do you mean, jolly?

He would always join in a game of cards and throwing the iron shot and other games and sport.

Did No. 543 protest against being sent back to Lok Ma Chau?

No, not against being sent back. He had been at Tai-po and his idea was to inquire why he had been transferred back to the New Territories.

Was his protest sent in?—Yes.

Sent Back to New Territories.

At this stage Mr. King explained that it was a custom for a constable to do one year's service in the New Territories and then to come in to Hong Kong or Kowloon for two years' service in the city. This particular man, however, had fairly recently been to the New Territories and was taken back to Central. He was reported for misconduct and was sent back to the New Territories, partly as a punishment and partly to separate him from others. His complaint was that he should be sent to the New Territories again.

Mr. Shields: Who explained that to him?

Mr. King: He himself saw the Superintendent.

A houseboy employed by Sergeant Madgwick said that at about 5 p.m. on July 21, he was in the servants' quarters in the Police Station when he heard a shot fired. He looked out of the window and saw an Indian constable with a rifle. The man was wearing a pair of shorts, and was in his shirt. He was barefooted and witness could not say if the man was wearing a turban at the time.

The inquiry will be continued at 2 p.m. on Tuesday.

WATER RETURN FOR JULY.

TYTAM LEVEL WITH OVERFLOW.

The level and storage of water in reservoirs on August 1 were as follows:—

City and Hill District Water Works.

Tytam Level with overflow in 1929 and this year.
Tytam Byewash: Level with overflow in 1929 and this year.
Tytam Intermediate: 7ft. 10ins. below overflow in 1929; level with overflow this year.
Tytam Tuk: 57ft. 6ins. below overflow in 1929; 9ft. 11ins. below overflow this year.
Wong Nei Chung: 5ins. below overflow in 1929; 1ft. 7ins. below overflow this year.
Pokfulam: Level with overflow in 1929; 10ins. below overflow this year.

Storage in millions and decimals of gallons:—

	1929.	1930.
Tytam	353.90	354.80
Tytam Byewash	22.37	22.37
Tytam Intermediate	154.42	154.80
Tytam Tuk	355.00	1,345.08
Wong Nei Chung	29.81	28.54
Pokfulam	68.00	64.16

Total 1,040.40 9,040.65

Consumption of water in the City and Hill District in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of July were:—

	1929.	1930.
Consumption	134.19	*399.37
Estimated population	434,280	444,600
Consumption per head per day	9.2	28.2

* Includes 92.51 million gallons from mainland.

Supply by street fountains only during July, 1929:—

On July 1 the hours of supply were 5 to 8 a.m. and 8 to 3 p.m. (Peak district four hours daily).

From 2nd to 22nd inclusive the hours of supply were 6 to 8 a.m. and 8 to 3 p.m. (Peak district three hours daily).

From 23rd to 31st inclusive the hours of supply in the city and high level districts were 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tank supplies were suspended on July 30, 1929.

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Kowloon Water Works.

Kowloon Reservoir: 11ins. below overflow in 1929; level with overflow this year.

Shek Lapui Reservoir: 20ft. 6ins. below overflow in 1929; level with overflow this year.

Reception Reservoir: Level with overflow in 1929 and this year.

Storage in millions and decimals of gallons:—

	1929.	1930.
Kowloon Reservoir	342.87	352.50
Shek Lapui Reservoir	46.55	116.10
Reception Reservoir	33.15	33.15

Total 422.67 501.75

Consumption of water in Kowloon in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of July were:—

	1929.	1930.
Consumption	93.29	139.09
Estimated population	171,160	178,200
Consumption per head per day	17.3	25.4

From July 1 to 16, 1929, inclusive the daily supply in all districts was 6 a.m. to 8 p.m.

From July 17 to 31, 1929, inclusive a constant supply was operated in all districts.

Constant supply in all districts during July, 1930.

The Government Analyst's reports show that the quality of the water is satisfactory.

The total rainfall to July 31:—1929, 37.08 inches; 1930, 60.44 ins.

OPIUM TRAFFIC.

HEAVY FINES FOR SMUGGLERS.

Three Chinese opium smugglers were severely dealt with by Mr. R. E. Lindsell at Central Magistracy yesterday.

One man, who was arrested on the Ping On Wharf on Thursday afternoon, had 84 taels of raw opium hidden in a specially made waistcoat which he wore next to his skin. He was fined \$2,500 or six months.

A fine of \$3,000 or six months was imposed on another Chinese who was arrested in Wing Lok Street with 28 taels of prepared opium tied round his legs, while a third Chinese who was caught in Des Voeux Road Central with 39 taels of the drug (prepared) hidden in the same way was ordered to pay a fine of \$4,000 or go to jail for eight months.

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THE TRANSFER BOOKS of this Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, 8th AUGUST, 1930, to SATURDAY, 16th AUGUST, 1930, Both Days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
D. L. KING,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 17th July, 1930. [9852]

HONG KONG CRICKET CLUB.

Owing to the CONCERT to be held at VOLUNTEER HEAD-QUARTERS, the BAND CONCERT, to be given on the CRICKET GROUNDS by kind permission of Major J. R. TAYLOR and OFFICERS, The Somerset Light Infantry, is postponed from FRIDAY, 8th AUGUST, to FRIDAY, 15th AUGUST, at 5.30 P.M. [9718]

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SCHOOL RE-OPENS, and NEW STUDENTS Received, at STANLEY on SEPTEMBER 1st, at 9.30 A.M. For Prospectus, apply to Mr. LI HOI TUNG, Messrs. BAKER & Co., 74, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, or the WARDEN, ST. STEPHEN'S COLLEGE, STANLEY. [9876]

HONG KONG TRAMWAYS, LIMITED.

AN INTERIM DIVIDEND of 40 cents per share has been declared payable on WEDNESDAY, 27th AUGUST next, on and after which date Dividend Warrants may be obtained upon application at the Registered Office of the Company, Canal Road East, Hong Kong.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the REGISTER OF MEMBERS of the Company will be closed from WEDNESDAY, 14th AUGUST to TUESDAY, 26th AUGUST, 1930, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
W. F. SIMMONS,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 5th August, 1930. [9708]

HONG KONG LAND INVESTMENT & AGENCY CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd., PEDDER STREET, Victoria, in the Colony of Hong Kong, on MONDAY, the 11th DAY of AUGUST, 1930, at NOON, for the purpose of considering, and if thought fit, passing the following Resolutions as Ordinary Resolutions, viz:—

(1) "That the Directors be and are hereby authorised to offer forthwith 50,000 new shares of the nominal value of \$25 each, constituting part of the unissued capital of the Company (in the proportion of one new share for every complete number of four issued shares held by them respectively) to the persons who, on the 7th day of August, 1930, are registered in the Company's share register as the holders of the 240,000 issued shares in the capital of the Company at a premium of \$35 per share and so that on acceptance of the offer the nominal value due in respect of each of such new shares plus the said premium of \$35 per share (making \$60 per share) shall be payable in full. Such new shares shall rank for dividend as from dates of allotment.

(2) "That such offer as aforesaid be made by notice specifying the number of new shares to which the member is entitled and limiting the respective times within which the offer is not accepted by members in the Far East and outside the Far East, respectively either on behalf of such member or his nominee will be deemed to be declined and that the Directors be at liberty to fix such respective times and to extend such times to such date or dates and upon such terms as they may think fit and further that any of the said new shares which shall not be taken up by the Company's shareholders in manner aforesaid be disposed of in such manner at such time or times and upon such terms as the Company's Directors shall in their absolute discretion see fit.

(3) "That no shareholder shall be entitled to claim for a fraction of an additional share in respect of any odd issued share held by him."

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WEATHER REPORT.

Yesterday's weather report, forecasts and remarks, issued by the Royal Observatory at 3.30 p.m., stated:—

The anticyclone has passed into the Pacific to the north-east of Japan. Pressure is relatively low to the east of the Philippines.

Local Forecast:—Light southeasterly or variable winds; fine generally.

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"H.L.C." IN PEIPING.

In spite of bumper crops in North China, the price of all necessities of life, including rice and salt, have been mounting steadily, and thousands of hard-working coolies are finding it difficult to exist. Officials accuse merchants of profiteering, and are "investigating." But at the same time direct taxes are being raised on food products and salt, accounting for most of the increase. All protests against the taxes have failed, because officials say every possible cent must be raised to pay for the war.

The high cost of rice is particularly distressing to residents of Peiping. In country districts, rice is more of a luxury, but in Peiping it is a staple for all classes. Rice must be imported in quantity, and the silver slump and domination of railways by the military have assisted in its rise. A direct tax, double that of last year, is also being imposed on farmers, taking a large part of their gains from the better crops. Agricultural taxes are being collected months in advance, with the farmers assuming the risks that crops may fail and the Government may be overthrown, in which case the taxes would not "count."

Peiping is outwardly prosperous. Hundreds of politicians have arrived, with plenty of money to spend while they are setting up a new Government. But the cost of a new Government also is high, and the people must eventually pay for it. Promises of "better times ahead" do not impress the people; they are concerned only with how to exist now, and the problem is becoming increasingly difficult. The amount of money which has been frittered away in the North and South during the last few years on civil war is appalling. And all there is to show for this wasteful expenditure is continued dissension, with unification apparently no nearer to-day than it was two or ten years ago.

A DISMAL PROPHECY.

The gloomy news from London that the number of unemployed men and women registered is now over two million recalls a depressing forecast recently made by Sir ARTHUR BALFOUR. "Bad though present conditions are, the worst is yet to come, according to this authority, who is an industrialist of acknowledged standing in the iron and steel industry. A severe and prolonged economic crisis in Britain, combined with great competition from Germany and other countries, was predicted by Sir ARTHUR in a recent speech at Sheffield. "Why, after all these years which we have struggled through, do we find ourselves faced with another period of bad trade, probably the worst we have had to encounter?" he asked. "Unfortunately, the reasons are very clear, but the cure is not."

Sir ARTHUR BALFOUR pointed out that at the present time there were

900,000,000 people in the world—the Russians, Chinese, and Indian—who were not pulling their weight in the consumption of agricultural products, and were living at a standard of life which was not even reasonable to British ideas; and at the same moment there were 7,000,000 people out of work in Europe alone. When we realise these facts, we begin to realise the real cause of the depression. Apart from the 900,000,000 who are not living at an adequate standard of life, the increase in population since 1913 had been only 9 per cent., but the increase in agricultural products was 18 per cent. and the increase in raw material 35 per cent.

The real cure for the situation, in Sir ARTHUR'S view, is an improvement in the standard of living in the three great countries mentioned, and until that time comes, it is going to be very difficult to improve trade. "We in this country have one task, and one task only; it is to adjust our cost of production to prices at which the world will buy from us. Until we do that we shall not be able to maintain our predominance as the greatest exporters of manufactured goods in the world, because we are going to be faced within the next six or twelve months with most severe competition from Germany and other countries. We are faced with a severe economic crisis, and it is going to be one of the most prolonged we have ever faced." On the other hand, less than a month ago, Mr. SNOWDEN revealed to a meeting of the Labour Parliamentary Party, the Government's belief that within six months there will be a marked improvement in trade and a substantial drop in the unemployment figures. Let us hope the Chancellor of the Exchequer proves to be the better prophet.

ONLY FOR LADIES' EYES.

THE days of beautiful women are numbered. Modern life, with its cigarettes, cocktails, cosmetics, and late hours, is slowly exterminating feminine beauty, according to Dr. MARCELLE PEILLON, one of the foremost beauty specialists of France. Madame PEILLON says unless there is an immediate reaction to all these tendencies which destroy not only beauty but health in general, women who have beautiful skin, bright eyes, red lips, and vivacious temperament will live only in novels. The beauties of history were real. France was a nation of handsome women, the most beautiful being in the Frankish and Gallic tribes, when cosmetics were unknown, but when the salutary effects of bathing-springs were known even to the animals. Medicinal-baths, hot-springs, and the natural curative waters are the best aids to beauty, along with the simple régime of living that goes with the so-called "cure."

Women are rarely deceived about their beauty, says Madame PEILLON. They apply paint and powder and have their faces lifted; they massage and bind and pull themselves out of shape when they know quite well that the only aid to beauty is good circulation, which makes clear skin, and skin is the natural indicator and mirror of health and beauty. No cosmetic, no cream, will ever do what the sun can do, and no face-lifting physician will ever provide pliant muscles as physical exercise, early sleep, and early rising will do. Falling features, swollen veins, saggy cheeks, are due mainly to the life that was lived for thirty or forty years away from the air, away from springs and sunlight. The greatest enemy to beauty, declares Madame PEILLON, is alcohol. After that comes the cigarette, and after that come cosmetics. The greatest aid to beauty, on the other hand, is exercise, which induces a good appetite; then comes bathing, and Madame PEILLON asserts that most physicians, that it is all-important for women to have children. Few great beauties in history have been childless. Women's beauty increases as she bears children, providing adequate care is taken.

The women of to-day, painted and powdered, sallow-eyed, dulled by late hours, lacking in spirit and deficient in blood, can overtake her beautiful sisters of the past if she commences now, but Madame PEILLON fears that modern life will prevent women from growing in the natural way that the women of the past developed. If any women are sceptical, asserts Madame, let them not go to a beauty-doctor, but for the sake of their own curiosity and desire to be beautiful try living naturally for two weeks, stop smoking, drinking, rise early, walk bareheaded in the open air, begin to love deeply, and—Madame PEILLON adds—since beauty is more essential than anything, let them embrace motherhood, and their mirrors will soon show a different face, a keener eye, brighter tresses, and a brow that is serene, respected, and loved.

The first Englishman who ever went up in an aeroplane was Mr. Griffith Brewer, who was taken up by Wilbur Wright on October 8, 1908. Now he has just learnt to fly again and take a new certificate at the age of 63. To qualify for this he had ninety hours' dual instruction, and then flew solo for five hours before presenting himself for examination. Most of his early flying contemporaries now consider themselves too old to fly, though Captain Geoffrey de Havilland and Mr. Raynham are notable exceptions. Mr. Brewer, however, thinks that most men of 63 could learn to fly, and for his part he thinks it safer to fly a Moth than to drive a car in traffic.

A French military plane made a forced descent last week near Varigotti in Italian territory; its occupants, two petty officers of the French Army, declaring that they were driven off their route by heavy storms and were later unable to reach the French coast on account of fuel shortage. Machine-guns but no ammunition were found aboard the plane, which was confiscated by the Italian authorities, while the two pilots are being kept under arrest pending further investigation.

A Budapest Court has recently awarded an estate manager, Laidislaw Almassy, an allowance of £10 16s. a month because he is afflicted with an "unquenchable" thirst. Almassy has had a constant and expensive thirst since he was injured in a motor-cycling accident in which his employer, Dejeo Becker, was killed. As he was a passenger in Becker's sidecar Almassy brought an action against his employer's heirs, claiming a pension of £18 a month. Almassy told the judge that if he were deprived of costly preventive medicines he would be obliged to drink from 17½ to 28 pints a day.

★ Local Notes and Events ★

The output of the Raub Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd., for the 4 weeks ended July 17, amounted to 1,838.95 ozs. gold.

On a charge of being a member of a Triad Society, a Chinese who appeared before Mr. Whyte-Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, was remanded for one week on \$500 bail.

Charged with obstructing the police in their duties in warning hawkers in Shanghai Street, a married woman was fined \$5 or 7 days by the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday.

"This is not a place of entertainment, this is a Court," said Mr. Whyte-Smith to a Chinese, who had a cigarette in his mouth in Kowloon Magistracy yesterday. He was told not to do it again.

At the Roof Garden, Hong Kong Hotel, this afternoon, Dr. and Mrs. Li Shu Fan will be the hosts at a tea-party which is being given on the occasion of the engagement of their daughter Nancy to Mr. Lambert Gockehin.

Mr. J. E. S. Parry was fined \$5 by Mr. R. E. Lindsell yesterday when he pleaded guilty to the charge of overtaking another car on the left side in Queen's Road East on July 30. Mr. Parry said that the other car was holding the centre of the road and as he would be turning to the left a little further on he decided to overtake it.

★ News and Views ★

President Hoover is to call a conference shortly, to consider the subjects of home building and home ownership in the United States. In view both of the necessity for new construction work to relieve unemployment and of the family unit, it is felt by Mr. Hoover that both economic and social needs will be served if furtherance of home building and ownership can be achieved.

Mrs. Walter Johnson, wife of the famous baseball pitcher, died in Washington last week. President and Mrs. Hoover sent a wreath, while other offerings came from all parts of the United States.

The picture gallery of Sans-Souci, the famous palace of Frederick the Great near Potsdam, has been reconstituted so as to present as nearly as possible the works which by later Prussian Kings had been dispersed in various castles and museums was rather difficult, but the rearrangement has added much to the historic value of the gallery which expressed the artistic tastes of the great King.

The 17th international conference on maritime law was opened at Antwerp last week by the Belgian Foreign Minister, M. Hymans. The items on the agenda include the compulsory insurance of passengers on regular liners and a number of questions connected with collisions at sea between vessels of different nationality. Germany is represented by nine delegates.

For the first time within living memory, a marriage in the Manx language was celebrated recently at Kirk Braddan, Isle of Man. The contracting parties were Mr. J. J. Kneen, an authority on Manx philology and folklore, and Miss C. A. Bridson, of Douglas. During the ceremony, the hymn, "O perfect love," translated into Manx by the bridegroom, was sung.

Although the programme definitely stated it to be "Madame Butterfly," there was some feeling at the Strand Theatre last month that on this particular occasion it might be rechristened "Madame Leginska." The talented woman conductor of that name was very much in the limelight as waver of the Carl Rosa baton, and despite a lot of peculiar gymnastic antics, succeeded in producing a very crisp orchestral result. But critics failed to be impressed with the novelty of a woman conducting an opera: why not Puccini's loveliest melodrama is always affecting when played sincerely, and the performance by Miss Helen Ogilvie not only had a sincerity shared by the whole cast, but was most sympathetically sung. Nothing in the recent Covent Garden season, despite all its vocal brilliance, was as quietly moving.

Police investigations in Brussels concerning the recent discoveries of smuggled drugs have revealed that five pounds of cocaine are consumed daily in unlawful clubs. The drug is mostly obtained from Germany, where it is manufactured on a large scale.

Appropos our recent comments upon "spirit messages" from Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, it is interesting to learn from London papers just to hand that Lady Doyle was greatly upset by statements that messages had been received at séances from her husband. "Such messages cannot be accepted," she said. "They have caused only pain to those nearest to him. It is not yet the time for my husband to communicate with us."

There is no Post Office letter box in the village of Haurage in Belgium. A beautiful green and yellow one was recently erected on the wall of the village inn. A week later, however, a farmer, wishing to mail a postcard, was badly frightened by a strange noise of chirruping issuing from inside it. When the box was opened two tits with a family of ten young ones were found nesting inside. A new village post box was at once installed, but later another pair of tits, this time with eleven young ones, were found in possession. Haurage has decided to do without its post box.

Ending their endurance flight in New York last week, Robert Black and Louis Reichers landed with a "dead engine" which had stopped, as they were cruising above the field. The landing was perfect and the aeroplane escaped without damage. The two men had been in the air nearly 13 days. Last month the Hunter brothers remained up for 18 days, the former record of Dale Jackson and Forrest O'Brien being just over 17 days.

A pearl necklace said to be worth \$20,000 was lost or stolen while the King and Queen were attending the opening of India House in London last month. An American visitor, Mrs. Frederick Brown, who is staying at an hotel in Langham-place, W., reported to Scotland Yard that while she was watching the Royal procession to Aldwych her necklace, which consists of 130 graduated pearls, fitted with a diamond and emerald clasp, disappeared.

A huge bull moose has been added to America's traffic fatalities. Four of these animals suddenly appeared in the streets of Duluth, coming from the Minnesota wilds. They created a panic, holding up the traffic as they rushed madly about. One of them charged a motor lorry speeding towards him. The animal was knocked down and killed, but only slight damage was caused to the lorry. The three other bulls escaped and made tracks again for the wilds.

Looking Back 25 Years.

Yesterday Messrs. Kruse & Co.'s new and commodious premises, situated at the angle of the Hotel Mansions, abutting on Peddar Street on the one side and Chater Road on the other, were opened. The firm was established here in 1868, 37 years ago, and does a big business in cigars and other requisites of the smoker. The cigar dry-room in the new premises holds three-quarters of a million cigars. Messrs. Kruse & Company do a big business from Japan to Bombay, and even to Europe where they supply many of the continental clubs with Manila cigars—Hong Kong Daily Press, August 9, 1905.

Looking Back 50 Years.

We have often heard it stated by Chinese that the white ant will destroy metal, more especially silver, either in the form of Mexican dollar or bullion, and we were assured by the late Mr. Wei Aikwong, a former compradore of the Chartered Mercantile Bank, one of the most intelligent Chinese it has been our lot to come across, that he had known of an instance in which several boxes of dollars with their contents had been completely destroyed while in the bank treasury, and it was only by sweeping up the floor of the vault and melting—so to say—the vast numbers of ants that the treasure was in some measure recovered. We confess that we could not quite accept this statement at the time, but we are now somewhat inclined to believe that there was little or no exaggeration in this assertion as we learn that a portion of a large heap of Australian coal, stored in a godown here, upon being distributed yesterday morning, was found to have been completely riddled by these pests. We may mention that the coal is a description of cannel, and the proprietor of the mineral has signified his intention of sending samples to our local museum.—Hong Kong Daily Press, August 9, 1930.

FOREIGN SECURITY
IN CHINA.NO PROTECTION UNTIL
WAR ENDS.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

LONDON, August 7.

The Times, in the course of an editorial, says that the Nanking Government has expressed regret to the Governments of the United States and Japan in connection with the sacking of Changsha, and Hu Han Min has stated that the Nationalist Government will hold itself responsible for the acts of Chinese citizens, but most foreign Governments will be better pleased to learn that serious measures not only repressive but remedial are being taken by the Nanking Government against the alarming growth of Communist banditry in the central and southern provinces. The Nanking Government has no force available to defeat the rebels' presentation of the civil war, which nobody expects will end in a decisive victory over the Northerners, which is occupying its military energies, exhausting its financial resources, and driving great numbers of the peasantry to despair, which is the best recruiting sergeant for the Communist organizer or bandit chief.

The paper says that the news that the British Minister to China has prepared proposals in regard to the modification of extra-territorial rights would be more interesting if foreign missionaries could live in Chinese towns without any fear of being kidnapped and held for ransom, and if foreign merchants were not exposed to the risk of having to escape in gunboats, leaving their property in the hands of looters.

There is a certain unreality about the negotiations which postulate the existence of a tolerable measure of public security in a country which is daily growing less secure.

The reinforcement of the British naval strength on the Middle Yangtze is a necessary precaution after what happened in Changsha. It clearly would not be needed if the Nanking Government were able to protect British lives and interests, but they manifestly will not be in a position to do that so long as they are at war with the North.

DUTCH HONOUR FOR
SIAMESE PRINCE.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

THE HAGUE, August 8.

The Queen of the Netherlands has conferred upon Prince Damrong of Siam the Grand Cross of the Order of the Netherlands.

LORD BIRKENHEAD.

IMPROVEMENT REPORTED.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, August 7.

A slight improvement was reported to-day in the condition of Lord Birkenhead, who is ill with bronchial pneumonia.

CANADA'S NEW PREMIER.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

OTTAWA, August 7.

Mr. R. B. Bennett has formed a Cabinet with himself as Premier and Minister of Finance and External Affairs.

Mr. Bennett, who was the leader of the Opposition party, which recently put Mr. MacKenzie King's Liberal Party out of office, is a prominent paper manufacturer in Canada. He is strongly pro-British and favours Protection tariffs.

CAPTIVE LADY
MISSIONARIES.BRITISH CONSUL LEAVES
TO OBTAIN RELEASE

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

FOOCHOW, August 8.

The British Consul, Mr. Martin, left this morning for Yenching for the purpose of interviewing Lu Hsing Pang in an endeavour to obtain the release of Miss Harrison and Miss Nettleton.

BRITISH LEGATION
IN CHINA.TRANSFER A CONTRIBUTION
TO CIVIL GOVERNMENT.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

LONDON, August 9.

The Manchester Guardian, in the course of an editorial, says that though the transference of the British Legation to Nanking might be curious at a time when the Nanking Government is in obvious danger of complete collapse, it is the one contribution that Great Britain can still make in support of a Government of any kind in China. There cannot be any question of military intervention, but when, as now, the struggle is between anarchy and the one possibility, order, we are obliged to give what civilian aid possible to the one civil Government in China.

EMPIRE SHORT WAVE
BROADCASTING.COLONIES TO CONTRIBUTE
FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

LONDON, August 7.

Great Britain is to have a permanent short wave Empire broadcasting station with a world-wide range according to the News and Chronicle.

As the result of negotiations between the British Broadcasting Corporation, the Colonial Office, and various overseas authorities the B.B.C. have purchased land adjoining Daventry Broadcasting Station, on which they will erect a short wave transmitter capable of being heard in the remotest parts of the Empire.

The cost of the installation will be met by the Colonial Office assisted by the Colonies, and the Dominions will also be asked at the Imperial Conference to assist financially.

The Treasury have provisionally agreed to find £22,000 for the original outlay, while the B.B.C. will provide programmes free.

Work will probably be begun on the new transmitter within three or four months.

The Empire broadcast at first will only operate for a limited period each day.

DEMOLITION OF A FAMOUS
HOTEL.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

LONDON, August 7.

Demolition work has begun on the universally-known Hotel Cecil in the Strand, which was recently sold to make way for a mammoth office building.

Two hundred men have been employed to carry out the task in seventeen weeks. They are working night and day, and even the foundations of the hotel are being uprooted.

[In a letter to shareholders last month the directors of Hotel Cecil, Ltd., stated the approximate result of the sale of the company's property. The price received from Shell-Mex, Ltd., for the land, buildings, fixtures, fittings, etc., was £1,522,000; the price realised by the sale of furniture, stock, etc., was £260,920; and other assets, say, £19,770, making a total of £1,802,690.]

After repayment of debenture stock, bank loans, costs, etc., amounting to £280,081, there remained an estimated balance for distribution of £282,694.

This will suffice, says the report, to repay preference shares at par with dividend to date of liquidation, and leave approximately £211,000 (equivalent to 15s. 6d. per share) available for distribution among ordinary shareholders. Before this distribution can be made it will be necessary to put the company into liquidation.

Mr. Henry Smith, chairman of the United Realisation Company, stated in a letter that his company, as owning half the ordinary share capital of the hotel company, has raised objections to certain resolutions to be proposed at the extraordinary meeting of Hotel Cecil, Ltd., at Winchester House, on August 8.]

CHINA UNLIKELY
TO GO RED.FIRST ACT OF NEW
GOVERNMENT.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

PEIPING, August 8.

Chu Ao Hsiang, in a statement during his weekly interview, declared that China is not likely to go Red, as the mass of the peasant farmers, unlike the Russians before the revolution, are not serfs, but the owners of the land, though their holdings are very small, while those working for the farmers are well-treated and are given a fair share of the produce, and hoped to become landholders themselves. Moreover, the Chinese peasantry are law-abiding, and hated bloodshed and murder, such as are being practised at Changsha and elsewhere, and they would not follow such an example. One of the first acts of the new Government will be to suppress the Reds.

REV. ALLAN CAMERON
SAFE.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

PEIPING, August 8.

The U.S.S. Palos has received a wireless message from Changsha stating that the Rev. Allan Cameron, of the Hunan Faith Mission, who was reported to have been stabbed to death, is safe.

LARGEST BRIDGE IN THE
WORLD.

ACROSS SYDNEY HARBOUR.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

SYDNEY, August 7.

To-day a man crossed the largest bridge in the world when the chief engineer of Messrs. Dorman, Long & Co., Ltd., the company building the bridge to span the beautiful harbour here, stepped across the gap of forty-two inches from one section of the main arch to the other.

The two sections will actually meet on August 25 and the arch will be completed on September 16 at a cost of six million sterling. The bridge stretches between the abutment towers over the channel, a distance of 1,675 feet, the total length of the bridge from Dawes Point, south, to Milson's Point, north, being 3,770 feet.

Even at high tide there will be headway of 170 feet for vessels passing underneath. The bridge will carry a roadway fifty-seven feet wide, four railway lines, and two footways each ten feet wide. The bridge will be ready for traffic in 1931.

EUROPEAN FEDERATION.

M. BRIAND PREPARING A
FRESH NOTE.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

PARIS, August 7.

According to the newspapers, M. Briand is preparing a fresh Note on his scheme for a European federation.

The replies received to his original suggestion show that European nations differ on such matters as relations with the Soviets, the maintenance or revision of peace treaties and economic rivalries, etc.

The opinion is expressed that a discussion at the League Assembly is unavoidable since Great Britain demands it, and there is a general desire to consider the susceptibilities of the League.

BELGIAN CAVALRY CHARGE
STRIKERS.POLICE GREETED WITH
VOLLEYS OF STONES.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

PARIS, August 7.

More violent disturbances in the Roubaix and Tourcoing district reached a climax in a cavalry charge by the Belgian gendarmes. The strikers, who had held a mass meeting at Mouscron, greeted the arrival of the police with volleys of stones and bricks. Then the gendarmes charged.

Some strikers crossed the border for more "ammunition," but French gendarmes, who were waiting, drove them back. Eventually, with a number of injured strikers, they dispersed.

NANKING'S FOOLISH
SUBTERFUGE.PEIPING PAPER'S SCATHING
EXPOSURE.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

PEIPING, August 8.

The Peiping Leader, in the course of an editorial, declares that of all the foolish subterfuges to which the Nanking Government has resorted the most laughable is the one attributing Communist activities to Wang Ching Wei.

Will the Nanking Government blame Wang Ching Wei for the atrocities committed on Mrs. Hearne and Miss Nettleton, which occurred in territory claimed to be under the control of Nanking? Did Nanking do anything to suppress the brigands in Kiangsi and Hunan? On the contrary, knowing that these provinces were hotbeds of bandits and Communist terrorists, they withdrew their troops and left the unfortunate residents at the mercy of the Reds, and they now blame Wang Ching Wei for these disturbances!

DROUGHT RELIEF IN
AMERICA.PRESIDENT DIRECTING
OPERATIONS.

[REUTERS' AMERICAN SERVICE.]

WASHINGTON, August 7.

Preparations to extend the relief of the drought suffering nation are proceeding apace, under the personal direction of President Hoover.

Reports pouring in here indicate that the damage resulting from the drought will reach \$22,000,000 unless the rains come soon.

The reduction of railway freight rates, on hay fodder to the cattle breeding areas, and possibly the free transport of livestock to unaffected grazing lands, is contemplated.

BIG SALARIES IN
AMERICA.MR. SCHWAB'S MEAGRE
\$150,000 FROM STEEL.

[UNITED PRESS.]

Youngstown, O., July 31. Revelations concerning huge salaries of executives of Bethlehem Steel received a check to-day when it was learned that Mr. Charles Schwab, chairman of the board, received but \$81,500 a year and no bonuses although it had formerly been believed that he received a total of more than \$81,000,000 a year.

To-day's disclosure was in connection with the suit of Mr. Cyrus Stephen Eaton, who for weeks has been making strenuous efforts to prevent the proposed merger of Bethlehem Steel with Youngstown Sheet & Tube.

It was recently revealed that Mr. Eugene Grace, president of Bethlehem Steel, received a salary of \$81,200 with a bonus of more than \$81,500,000 a year, and, therefore, it had been presumed that the even more famous and internationally powerful Mr. Schwab would top this materially.

A recent petition filed by Mr. Eaton with reference to the income of Mr. Grace asserted that for this annual amount Mr. Grace "renders no adequate service or consideration."

This aroused a storm of newspaper controversy, in the course of which Mr. Arthur Brisbane, Hearst columnist, said that "a civilization that can afford to pay \$250,000 a year salary for a few minutes' talk on the radio can afford \$1,000,000 for running a big steel concern."

Mr. John F. Sinclair of the New York World quoted the late Mr. Nicholas F. Brady as authority for the statement that "no employee of a well-run corporation can possibly be worth in salary over \$100,000 a year."

GALVESTON BEAUTY
CONTEST.GIRLS OF SEVEN COUNTRIES
COMPETE.

[UNITED PRESS.]

Galveston, Texas, August 2.—With feminine splendor of all parts of the land represented, Galveston's famous annual beauty contest began to-day.

Among the countries which have entered are Russia, the United States, Soviet Russia, Germany, France, Hungary, Rumania, and Turkey.

To-day the girls filed past the contest judges wearing sport clothes. Tomorrow there will be a public parade.

Following the completion of judging, the holder of the "world beauty title" will be announced.

FENG REPORTS
CAPTURES.PROGRESS ON ALL
FRONTS.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

PEIPING, August 8.

Feng Yu Hsiang, in the course of a communiqué, states that the centre of the Shansi troops captured two battalion commanders and 1,000 men, and the left wing of Shih Yu San's troops occupied the four outer gates of Tsaohsien.

Cavalry rounded the enemy's flank, and reached Kuyueh and Kiasiang, and are now pressing towards Chiling and the Tientsin-Pukow Railway. They captured 300 carts containing supplies.

The right wing of the Lungshai Kuomintang have taken Ningling, 30 li from Kweichow, which they expect to occupy to-day.

On the Peiping-Hankow Railway front, we occupied Hwaiyang, and we are now advancing towards Chowchiakow.

Other troops captured Shangshui and Pehwut, eastward and westward of the Peiping-Hankow Railway, respectively.

CHINA'S NEW GOVERNMENT

ENLARGED PLENARY SESSION.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

PEIPING, August 8.

A formal meeting of the enlarged Plenary Council of the Kuomintang was held yesterday afternoon, being attended by 22 members.

A Standing Committee was appointed, also Committees to discuss the formation of a Government, propaganda, and instructing the population in Kuomintang principles.

The members who recently arrived from the South were welcomed. Ma Hsia Chin was appointed Chief Secretary of the Standing Committee.

It was decided to telegraph the whole country ordering the release of all those imprisoned on the charge of opposing Chiang Kai Shek.

GIFT TO NANKING
SEMINARY.LARGE SUM FOR METHODIST
EPISCOPAL MISSION.

[UNITED PRESS.]

New York, August 1.—The Nanking Theological Seminary was found to be among 14 beneficiaries under the will of the late Mrs. Rebecca Wendle Srope when the document was admitted to probate in Court here to-day.

The estate was said to total "more than \$30,000,000" in the aggregate, although it has been popularly supposed to approximate \$8100,000,000.

Thirty-five portions of a division of the entire estate into 200 equal portions are bequeathed to the Methodist Episcopal Board of Foreign Missions, and the income will be used for the Nanking Theological Seminary.

COLORADO RIVER WATER
DISPUTE.PROTEST OVER MOVE TO GIVE
MEXICO A SHARE.

[UNITED PRESS.]

Washington, July 31.—Senator William H. King of Utah to-day protested against the reported efforts by Mr. Dwight Morrow, U.S. Ambassador to Mexico, to negotiate an agreement with Mexico concerning a division of the waters of the Colorado river, incident to construction of the great Boulder Dam project.

In the opinion of Senator King, Mexico is not entitled to any portion of the river's waters, which are of immense irrigation value.

Some observers see developments of a situation somewhat akin to that of the Sudan, unless an understanding is reached.

Washington, July 31.—Senator William H. King to-day amended his remarks on the reported Mexican negotiations, by stating that he had learned that the United States was not negotiating with Mexico nor was it contemplating negotiations regarding Mexican claims to water rights in the Colorado river.

INDIAN SIX PER
CENT. LOAN.RESPONSE EXCEEDS ALL
EXPECTATIONS.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

SIMLA, August 8.

The response to the Government Six Per Cent. Loan has exceeded all expectations, and is regarded as an indication that the Congress propaganda of boycotts has not affected credit.

Twenty-nine and a half crores of rupees were subscribed, and applications for 13 crores were made by small investors throughout the country.

GANDHI'S SUCCESSOR.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

BOMBAY, August 7.

Gandhi's latest successor as head of the civil disobedience movement is Maulana Abdulul Amad, whom Vallabhai Patel nominated President of Congress before Patel himself was sent to gaol.

Women Offenders Decline to Pay
Fines.

All women Congress members arrested during the week-end disturbances have refused to pay the fines imposed by the Magistrate, preferring prison.

Vallabhai Patel has been sentenced to three months' imprisonment.

Malaviya Released.

BOMBAY, August 8. Pabdit Malaviya has been released.

Gandhi "Conversations."

ALLAHABAD, August 8. Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru, who has returned from Lucknow, states that it has not yet been decided that Motilal Nehru and Jawaharlal Nehru will go to Poona to see Gandhi. He is still communicating with the Viceroy about the proposed visit.

Village Officials Withdraw
Resignations.

SURAT, August 8. One hundred and ninety village officials who resigned at the beginning of the civil disobedience movement, have withdrawn their resignations.

No Mayor for Calcutta.

CALCUTTA, August 7. The city is still without a Mayor. On the resumption of the meeting to elect a Mayor, the mob again invaded the Council Chamber, and the meeting once more had to be abandoned.

It is said that Sen Gupta has agreed to retire from the contest if a Moslem candidate is put forward.

BRITISH TROOPS OPPOSE
AFRIDIS.DANGEROUS SITUATION
NEAR PESHAWAR.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

PESHAWAR, August 7. British troops to-day moved out against the Afridis, who are 5,000 strong, and are concentrating to the west of the Khajuri Plain and the Bara Valley, within 15 miles of Peshawar.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, August 7. After repeated warnings had been given them not to approach within a certain distance of Peshawar, a hostile body of Afridi tribesmen have been bombed by Royal Air Force machines stationed on the north-west frontier.

The tribesmen were stirred up by unfriendly Mullahs and "Young Bloods" and a Lashkar was formed estimated at 5,000 strong.

The tribesmen descended in small parties, generally at night, by unfrequented ways into the Bara Valley, north-west of Peshawar, and had arranged to concentrate on the Khajuri Plain on Wednesday.

Warning notices posted along their route were ignored and reconnoitring aeroplanes fired at. As a precaution the British outposts were strengthened, but before the meditated attack materialised six squadrons, numbering approximately 50 machines, dropped bombs with the object of dispersing and discouraging the tribesmen.

It is believed that this operation had the effect intended.

Peshawar Guarded All Night.

PESHAWAR, August 7. Troops closely guarded the city and cantonment all night long, in view of the danger of a night attack by Afridis.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

THE AFRIDIS RAIDING PARTY MADE A feeble attack on the British troops a mile from Peshawar last night.

The city gates will be closed to-night. All precautions have been taken, and aeroplanes are reconnoitring.

TOKYO-TACOMA
FLIGHT.U.S. AVIATOR ARRIVES
WITH AEROPLANE.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

TOKYO, August 8.

Lieut. Bromley, who intends to make a non-stop flight from Tokyo to Tacoma, arrived at Yokohama with his aeroplane on board the President Lincoln.

Owing to their haste in departure from America, Bromley and his co-pilot, Gatty, arrived without passports, and they were not permitted to disembark until the Foreign Office gave them special permission.

The aviators said that they hoped to start on their flight across the Pacific within ten days, although it was difficult to find an air field permitting a take-off a mile long which they required.

AIRSHIP FLIGHT TO
INDIA.

PREPARATIONS ON R.101.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, August 7. While the airship R.100 is in Canada, work is proceeding on the preparation of the R.101 for her flight to India, which takes place next month.

The R.101 has Diesel oil engines and is the slower of the two ships, but she is being equipped with two new engines out of her complement of five, and these, it is hoped, will improve her manoeuvring capacity and provide a cruising speed of 80 miles an hour.

A meteorological investigation indicates the existence of an almost permanent north-west wind current in the Middle East, and the R.101 is likely to follow the northern course after leaving Ismailia, while the return journey from Karachi as far as Egypt will follow the southerly route over the Indian Ocean.

A new bay amidship is being added to the R.101, and this is expected to increase her lift.

AUSTRALIA-ENGLAND
FLIGHT.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, August 7. The young Australian airman, Cunningham, engaged on a solo flight from Australia to Britain, landed on the small island of Flores through oil pressure trouble after a nine hours' flight from Wyndham, Australia.

The machine was undamaged, and when the runway has been cleared, enabling him to take off, he will resume the journey.

ROUND-EUROPE AIR RACE.

GERMANS TAKE FIRST
THREE PLACES.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

BERLIN, August 7. The final results of the recent round-Europe flight have now been announced.

The German aviator, Morzik, last year's winner, again came first with a total of 422 points.

Another German, Poss, came second with the same number of points, and Neiz, also a German, was third with 419.

The succeeding positions were taken by Miss Spooner (Britain) 416, Polte (Germany) 408, Lord Canterbury (Britain) 405, Captain Broad (Britain) 395.

Miss Spooner was easily the highest scorer in the starting and landing tests over 30 feet obstacles, otherwise the British competitors lost their earlier advantages.

Revised Placings.

The revised figures for the placings in the round Europe flight give Morzik 427 points.

The revised placings put Captain Broad eighth.

CANADIAN SUGAR
INDUSTRY.COMMITTEE FORMED TO
HELP.

[REUTERS' AMERICAN SERVICE.]

NEW YORK, August 8. It is announced in Wall Street that Canadian bankers and sugar producers are jointly nominating a Committee to help the sugar industry.

The announcement followed a meeting of the representatives of the Chase National Bank, National City Bank, Royal Bank of Canada, and other concerns.

Sports News

LEAGUE TENNIS.

INDIANS BEAT KOWLOON.

This game was played on the Kowloon ground and attracted a large crowd. The Indians started off in great style and claimed all the sets in the first two rounds.

Claiming one out of the three sets in the last round the Indians brought the final score to 7-2 in their favour. They are now the only unbeaten team in the "A" division, and provided they win their remaining fixture against C.R.E.—they will be champions for the season.

The scores were:—
E. C. and E. F. Fincher (K.C.C.)
lost to S. A. and H. D. Rumjahn 2-6
lost to C. A. L. Rumjahn and J. A. Cassumbhoy 4-6
lost to J. S. A. Curreen and I. M. A. Razack 6-2
W. Hyde and G. Bodiker (K.C.C.)
lost to S. A. and H. D. Rumjahn 3-6
lost to C. A. L. Rumjahn and J. A. Cassumbhoy 4-6
lost to J. S. A. Curreen and I. M. A. Razack 4-6
F. Hamby and A. E. Guest (K.C.C.)
lost to S. A. and H. D. Rumjahn 3-6
beat C. A. L. Rumjahn and J. A. Cassumbhoy 6-4
lost to J. S. A. Curreen and I. M. A. Razack 6-7

TENNIS IN THE U.S.

CHAMPIONS SURPRISINGLY DEFEATED.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

New York, August 8. Francis Shields, the 19-year-old New York player, surprisingly defeated W. Hilden in the Meadowbrook invitation tournament quarter-finals 6-1, 2-6 and 6-1. Sidney Wood, also of New York, beat George Lott 6-4, 8-6 and 7-9.

BRIEF PERIOD OF 'GRACE' FOR CARNERA.

[UNITED PRESS.]

Washington, August 8.—Immigration Board officials to-day ruled that the Italian boxer, Primo Carnera, who has been barred from exhibitions in many States, because of alleged faked fights, may remain in the United States until December 31. This overrules a previous decision, which, if carried out, would have meant his departure almost at once.

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WATER POLO.

CHINESE SUCCESSFUL IN BOTH DIVISIONS.

NAVY AND R.A. BEATEN.

Two water-polo matches were played at the V.R.C. bath yesterday, and in both of these the Chinese emerged victorious by a big margin. Playing in the first division, the Chinese Athletic completely mastered the Navy forwards and had matters very much in their own hands.

Just after the start Cheong put in a fast shot for the Chinese that completely stunned the Navy goalie. This was followed by two more goals before the half-time whistle sounded.

Soon after the resumption the Chinese added another four goals, which brought the final scores to:—Chinese Athletic, 7; Royal Navy, nil.

Chinese Athletic: T. B. Shiu, K. W. Fung, K. C. Ng, S. L. Chan, C. K. Tan, C. L. Choi and K. C. Cheong.

Navy: Parker, King, Oakden, Beer, Thomas, Way and Bonning.

UNIVERSITY v. R.A.

In spite of adding a few first team players, the R.A. went down to the University by four goals to nil. There was a keen struggle in the first half and the Varsity players managed to score only one goal.

After the interval, the R.A. forwards lacked their brilliance, which the Varsity made full use of, and added three more goals before the final whistle was blown.

University: P. L. Tan, K. I. Ip, K. K. Kho, M. C. Loh, H. N. Chung, H. P. Kho and S. H. Wong. R.A.: Hesketh, Gray, Lewis, Oliver, Cavanagh, Breeds and Fletcher.

LAWN BOWLS.

ELECTRIC R.C. TEAM IN TO-DAY'S MATCH.

The following have been selected to play for the Hong Kong Electric R.C. in the junior lawn bowls match against Club de Recreio at King's Park to-day:—

W. Stoker, T. P. Sanderson, S. J. Clarke and W. H. B. Muskett (Skip).

V. G. Kerley, E. Thompson, L. de Rome and F. F. Duckworth (Skip).

A. Tarbuck, G. T. Padgett, H. Hatch and A. F. Paul (Skip).

Reserves:—V. Sorby and R. W. Smith.

Open Singles Match.

On the Craigengower C.C. ground last Thursday, the long-outstanding match in the first round of the Open Singles Competition between C. S. Silva (Club de Recreio) and G. Hargreaves (Police R.C.) was completed. Hargreaves won by 21-13 and qualified to meet F. C. Goodman (Kowloon Dock) in the second round.

NO CRICKET AGAIN AT BIRMINGHAM.

AUSTRALIANS HAVE AN IDLE DAY.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

London, August 7. Owing to rain there was no play to-day in the match between Warwickshire and the Australians at Birmingham, which was commenced

on the previous day and interrupted soon after the start.

The score at present stands at 102 runs for Warwickshire with three wickets down.

London, August 8. The match between Warwickshire and the Australians has been abandoned.

U.S. BASEBALL RESULTS.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

New York, August 7. The following are the results of the Baseball League matches played yesterday:—

National League.
Pittsburg 4 Brooklyn 6
St. Louis 5 Chicago 6

American League.
New York 3 Boston 1
Philadelphia 4 Washington 1

ATHLETICS' DEFEAT CHALLENGERS.

DODGERS UNABLE TO HOLD THE TAIL-ENDERS.

[UNITED PRESS.]

New York, July 31.—Once more, the world's champions, the Athletics, clashed to-day with their immediate League rivals, the Senators, and again the Athletics emerged on top, although by only a one-point margin. The Athletics committed two errors, while Washington played airtight ball, but could not connect properly, making only four hits, and Philadelphia won by 4 to 3. This left the Athletics' percentage .666 and that of the Senators .506.

At the same time, the New York Yankees, barely overcoming the Red Sox at Boston, were bringing themselves into striking distance of second place, with a percentage of .578. The Yanks and Sox distinguished themselves by a contest marred by more errors than any major league game this season so far, New York scoring seven blunders and Boston six, and the Yankees won by 14 to 13.

Both games of a White Sox and Browns double-header at Chicago went to the home team, the Sox, taking the first by 10 to 2, despite three errors, and the second by 1-0, with two errors to their own discredit and three for the enemy. The second game was notable for tight pitching, each team making but four hits.

Playing at Cleveland, the Tigers were beaten by 5-3, getting eight hits to nine for the Indians, and with each side making two errors.

The National League leaders, Brooklyn Dodgers, stumbled over the tail-end Phillies and took a beating by 12-7, due in large part to their three errors. Each team made 14 hits. This brought the Dodgers' percentage to .606, with the Cubs, who did not play to-day, continuing in second place with .590 and the Giants drawing up to .559 by virtue of an 11-5 victory over the Boston Braves in New York. The Giants made 20 hits, Boston 10.

Playing at Pittsburg, the St. Louis Cardinals were nosed out by 4-3, in spite of the fact that the Pirates made the only two errors of the game and that the Cards got 10 hits to Pittsburg's eight.

The detailed scores for the day follow:—

AMERICAN LEAGUE.				
Clubs.	R.	H.	E.	
St. Louis	2	8	1	
Chicago	10	13	3	
(first game)				
St. Louis	0	4	3	
Chicago	1	4	2	
(second game)				
New York	14	12	7	
Boston	13	17	6	
Philadelphia	4	10	2	
Washington	3	4	0	
Detroit	3	8	2	
Cleveland	5	9	2	

NATIONAL LEAGUE.				
Clubs.	R.	H.	E.	
Boston	5	10	3	
New York	11	20	1	
Brooklyn	7	14	3	
Philadelphia	12	14	0	
St. Louis	3	10	0	
Pittsburg	4	8	2	

RED SOX AGAINST BABE RUTH.

DESPERATE DUEL OF CUBS AND THE DODGERS.

New York, August 8.—Babe Ruth's thirty-seventh and thirty-eighth home runs went up on the records to-day in the course of the Yankees-Red Sox game at Boston, helping the Yanks to a 4-1 victory, which raised their percentage to .582. The Babe's thirty-seventh homer occurred in the first inning, off Lisabee, with the bases empty.

(Continued on next column.)

FANLING GOLF.

STARTING TIMES FOR TO-MORROW.

9.15 a.m.	W. A. Stewart and W. Hay.
9.20 "	C. J. D. Law and J. R. Collis.
9.24 "	H. Lowe and D. J. Keogh.
9.28 "	G. Davidson and R. Young.
9.32 "	J. R. Hinton and M. G. Mills.
9.36 "	J. R. Younger and D. S. Robb.
9.40 "	A. D. Humphreys and W. C. Shields.
9.44 "	A. E. Lissaman and I. H. Geare.
9.48 "	E. Des Vaux and O. Eager.
9.52 "	A. C. I. Bowker and A. H. Musson.
9.56 "	L. C. Hight and W. J. Clerk.
10.00 "	N. K. Littlejohn and J. S. Dykes.
10.04 "	H. C. Shrubsole and J. Coulthart.

AMERICAN GOLF CHAMPIONSHIP.

NOTABLE FAILURES IN QUALIFYING ROUNDS.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

New York, August 8. Walter Hagen failed to qualify for the final stages of the United States professional golf championship.

Other failures were Jim Barnes, Willie MacFarlane, Joe Turnesa and Bobby Cruickshanks.

With Gaston pitching for Boston in the ninth inning, Ruth connected once more and sent Ruffing over the plate ahead of him. This made Ruth responsible for three out of the total of four Yank runs. Boston got only two hits in the entire game.

The Cleveland Indians were again victors over the St. Louis Browns, by a score of 8 to 3, with each team making nine hits and one error. Playing at Detroit, the Chicago White Sox were overwhelmed by heavy hitting and lost an errorless game by 12-4. The Tigers ran up a total of 17 hits, to eight for the Sox.

Brooklyn Stay Ahead.

Brooklyn and Chicago continued their nip-and-tuck race in the National League, but, with both winning to-day, the Dodgers kept the advantage with a percentage of .610, as compared with .590 for the Cubs. The Dodgers played at Philadelphia and beat the Phillies by 9-4, while the Cubs, on their own diamond at Chicago, beat the Pittsburg Pirates by 10 to 7, with the aid of two errors by the losing team in each instance.

The Cardinals went to Cincinnati and won by 10 to 1. While the Cards made two errors, the Reds made four and got but four hits to St. Louis' 13.

The Giants won over Boston at New York, by 10 to 4, in a loose game marred by three Braves errors and two by the Giants. New York made 17 hits and Boston 16.

The detailed scores for the day follow:—

AMERICAN LEAGUE.				
Clubs.	R.	H.	E.	
Chicago	4	8	0	
Detroit	12	17	0	
New York	4	12	0	
Boston	1	2	1	
Cleveland	6	8	1	
St. Louis	3	9	1	

NATIONAL LEAGUE.				
Clubs.	R.	H.	E.	
Boston	4	16	2	
New York	10	17	2	
Brooklyn	9	15	1	
Philadelphia	4	9	2	
St. Louis	10	13	2	
Cincinnati	1	4	4	
Pittsburg	7	11	2	
Chicago	10	13	1	

Standings.

AMERICAN LEAGUE.				
Clubs.	Won	Lost	Pct.	
Philadelphia	68	24	.688	
Washington	59	40	.596	
New York	60	43	.582	
Cleveland	54	50	.518	
Detroit	40	56	.416	
Chicago	43	59	.421	
St. Louis	42	62	.403	
Boston	35	66	.347	

NATIONAL LEAGUE.				
Clubs.	Won	Lost	Pct.	
Brooklyn	61	29	.610	
Chicago	50	41	.550	
New York	50	44	.529	
St. Louis	49	49	.500	
Pittsburg	48	50	.490	
Boston	45	54	.455	
Cincinnati	44	53	.454	
Philadelphia	33	63	.344	

FOOTBALL CLUB MEETING.

NEW OFFICERS ELECTED FOR THE SEASON.

INCREASE IN SUBSCRIPTION APPROVED.

A small increase in the yearly subscription was agreed to at the annual meeting of the Hong Kong Football Club held yesterday in the board-room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., a large number of members being present.

In their report for the year ended May 31, 1930, the Committee state that 124 members joined the Club during the season, the total membership now being 508.

The season under review was notable for a great revival in Club Rugby, as indicated by the increase in players and the much larger attendances of spectators. The improvement in play, and keenness at practice was due in part to the improved condition of the playing ground. It was found possible to run two teams, a 1st XV. and an "A" XV., both of which met with their measure of success.

The Interport.

The 1st XV. played 15 matches, winning 8, losing 5, and drawing 2. The two defeats in Shanghai, both by the narrowest of margins, were a disappointment to all, but were partly offset by the Club emerging winners of the Triangular Tournament Trophy, and by their eventual triumph over old rivals in H.M.S. Cornwall.

A noteworthy feature of the soccer season was the reappearance of the 2nd XI. The team was captained by Mr. C. Purncheon and credit is due to him for having kept the team together throughout the season. The 1st XI. also completed their fixtures, many of the games being evenly contested and the team deserved a better position than that shown in the league table. On the whole the year under review was an improvement on previous years but a more successful season next year is hoped for.

President's Remarks.

Mr. J. Ralston, who presided, said that it was regretted there had been a loss in the year's working owing to a fall of \$10,000 in the gate receipts, but this was not confined to this Club alone. The future prospects, however, were very bright, and they looked forward with much confidence to the Club being very successful in the new season, both on the financial side as well as in the report. He remarked that the ground was in excellent condition, and when they start the season in a few weeks' time it would be seen that it was the finest in the Colony.

A tribute was paid to the hard-working efforts of the Hon. Secretary (Mr. W. Pryde) and the members of the Committee.

Increase in Subscription.

There was a long discussion about a proposal to increase the subscription which one member stated was only fair in view of the fine Club-house and the facilities provided to members, while such a course was necessary seeing the position of the balance sheet. It was eventually agreed to increase the annual subscription of senior members (over 18) from \$5 to \$10, the subscription for junior members remaining as before with the entrance fee being \$10 in each case.

Election of Officers.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing season:—

President.—Mr. A. T. Hamilton.
Vice-President.—Mr. H. R. Forsyth.
Chairman of Committee.—Mr. R. K. Duncan.
Hon. Secretary.—Mr. H. M. McIntosh.
Hon. Treasurer.—Mr. W. L. Alexander.
Soccer Committee.—Messrs. Pryde, Bishop and McBride.
Rugger Committee.—Dr. McElney, Messrs. West and Birch.
Captain of Soccer.—Mr. H. J. Wallington.
Vice-Captain of Soccer.—Mr. R. Bell.
Captain of Rugger.—Mr. B. Massey.
Vice-Captain of Rugger.—Mr. J. L. Bonnar.

A vote of thanks was accorded to the retiring President and Hon. Treasurer for their useful services during the season. The meeting decided to extend an invitation to H.E. Sir William Peel to be the Patron of the Club.

SIAMESE CULTURE.

PRINCE DAMRONG'S ADDRESS TO INDIA-SOCIETY.

The India Society gave a reception to meet Prince Damrong of Siam at the rooms of the British Indian Union, Grosvenor Gardens, last month. Some beautiful Siamese fabrics lent to the society by Prince Damrong were exhibited.

Colonel Sir Francis Younghusband, who presided, said they welcomed in the person of the Prince not only an honoured elder statesman of his country but also a scholar whose sympathetic guidance and learned support had contributed largely to the furthering of knowledge and appreciation of Siamese art.

The India Society could not adequately fulfil its functions as an interpreter of Indian art unless it dealt with the interactions between the artistic impulses of India and the other countries of Asia, notably Siam, Indo-China, Java and Persia. They thanked his Royal Highness for giving them that opportunity—the second of the kind they had enjoyed—of seeing many Siamese printed fabrics, including some of the finest examples at the Royal Bangkok Museum.

The society had arranged for their exhibition in Manchester, and for the publication of a selection of coloured plates of these cloths in a book which would also contain some account of their origin, technical character, and artistic value.

Prince Damrong said he appreciated the remarks of the chairman regarding the close links between the artistic culture of India and Siam.

The influence of India civilization extended to Siam probably more than 2,000 years ago, and it was from India that Siam derived her religion and much of her literature and customs.

While the Siamese had an ancient art of their own, Indian influence upon it was to be seen. The India Society was doing a noble work which deserved universal encouragement.

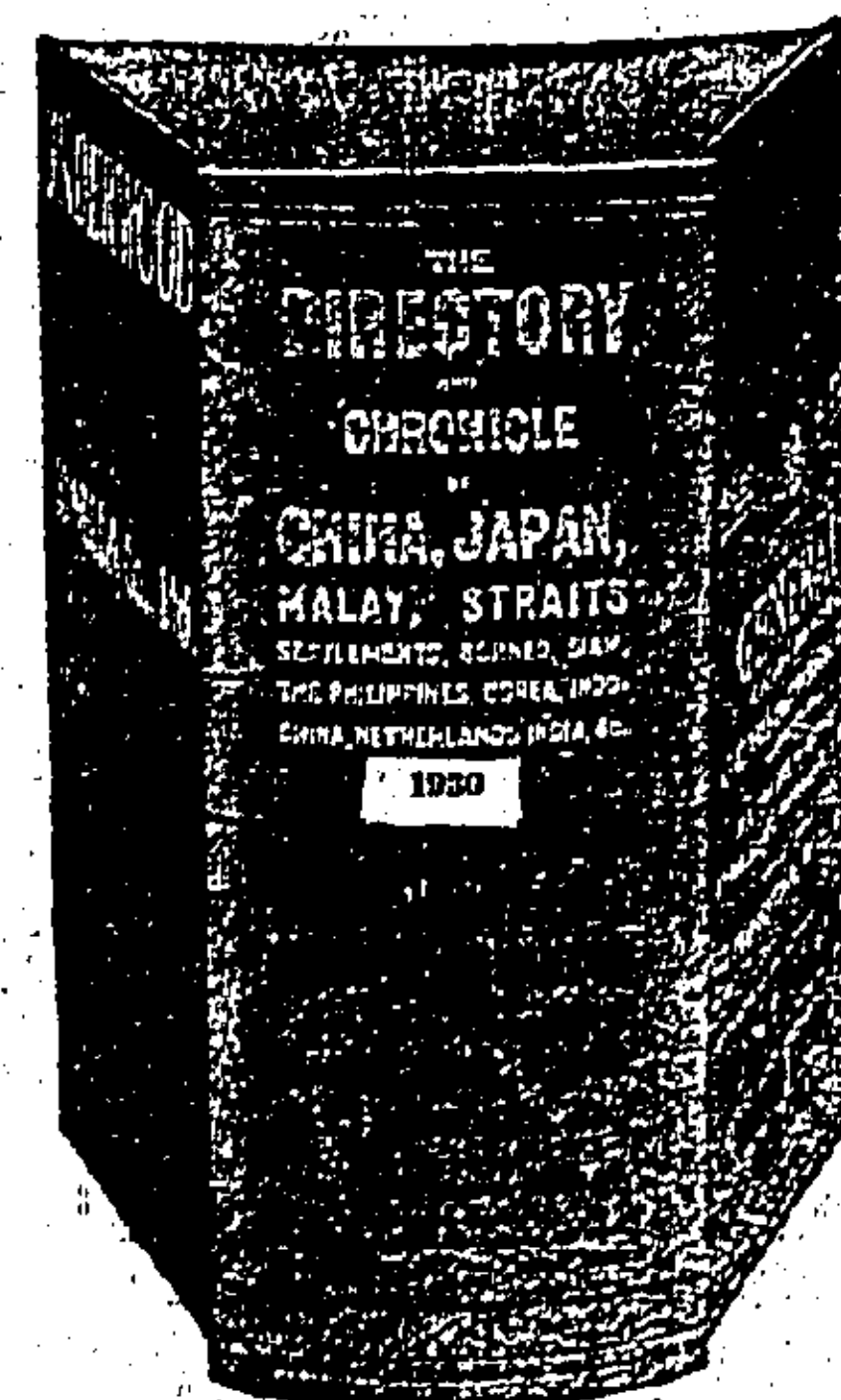
Chaney, "the man with a thousand faces," is the latest film star to suffer from a breakdown in health. He recently arrived in New York from Hollywood to receive a specialist's attention for a grave malady and will be treated with radium.

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NEWS IN BRIEF.

Statistics just published give the number of emigrants from Germany in 1929 at 48,000, as against 57,200 in the preceding year.

The prevailing tension between Turkey and Persia is believed to be responsible for the sudden recalling of the Turkish Ambassador at Tehran and his replacement by the present Minister to Sofia. Reports from the frontier indicate that the trouble there is far from being over as further Kurdish clans are crossing the border from Persia to attack the Turkish troops in the bank.

Press telegrams from Aix-les-Bains state that the former Khedive Abbas Hilmi has decided to leave there for Egypt in order to make a bid for the Egyptian throne. Only a few days previously the former Khedive declared in an interview given to a French paper that although for the time being he was merely a spectator he would not refuse to fulfil his duty should Egypt call upon him.

The German Government last week tendered a luncheon in honour of the Siamese Prince Damrong and his two daughters, Poon and Eilai, who left Berlin after a fortnight's sojourn, during which they inspected the capital and especially its museums thoroughly. After a three-day stay in Hamburg the party will go to the Hague as guests of Queen Wilhelmina, after which they depart homewards via Switzerland.

The Norwegian Government is said to be contemplating calling an international conference to settle the problem of the rights to certain Arctic islands. This arises from the recent Soviet-Norwegian incident in a bay of Franz Joseph's Land, where the commander of a Soviet fishery cruiser ordered a Norwegian vessel to leave the bay after the captain and the crew had signed a statement acknowledging Soviet authority over the island.

A great sensation was caused amongst German political circles by an article published in the *Berliner Tageblatt* by the former Judge, President of one of the Departments of the Reich Supreme Court and State Secretary, Herr A. V. Freymuth, who asserts that the Taxation Ordinances enacted a few days ago by the Reich Government under Article 48 of the Constitution after they had been rejected by the Reichstag, are illegal and void. Some papers, therefore, suggest that a test-case should be made by some taxpayers refusing to pay and carrying the matter to the Supreme Court for interpretation. It is, however, expected that the Government will take up the question and will issue a statement after consultation with its legal experts.

SOVIET STEAMERS KEPT IN PORT.

80 SHIPS HELD UP AT
ARCHANGEL.

Moscow, July 30.—On receipt of the news from New York saying that certain steamers carrying wood pulp from Archangel had been refused permission to enter United States ports and to unload their cargo, the Soviet Government immediately sent wireless messages to all ships bound for America with cargoes from the Soviet Union ordering them to run into the next European port and there to await further orders.

Eighty steamers are also being held up at Archangel. The authorities state that they will dispose of the timber and pulp in other countries and will sue for damages which it is pointed out, accrue not only to Soviet trade but also to the foreign shipping companies whose ships carry timber or pulp from Soviet Russia.

HEALTH OF EASTERN PORTS.

The following health bulletin of Eastern ports for the week ended August 2 has been issued by the Director of Medical and Sanitary Services:—

Place	Cases	Deaths
Tamatave	13	—
Alexandria	2	2
Port Said	1	—
Baghdad	4	—
Rangoon	2	1
Bangkok	1	—
Cholera.		
Madras	—	1
Chittagong	3	1
Cebu	6	4
Hilo	9	10
Bangkok	1	1
Phnom Penh	6	3
Saigon	2	—
Small-pox.		
Bombay	6	5
Cochin	2	1
Karachi	2	2
Madras	—	—
Nagapatnam	2	1
Penang	1	—
Batavia	1	—
Cerebro-Spinal Fever.		
Singapore	1	1
Shanghai	—	2

CHINA COAST OFFICERS.

LATEST CHANGES IN PERSONNEL.

Mr. W. P. Bruce, chief officer, Liangchow, is on reserve.
Mr. F. J. Griffiths, from reserve has gone chief officer, Fatshan.
Mr. D. C. Cameron, chief officer, Fatshan, is on reserve.
Mr. G. T. M. Ramsay, from reserve, has gone second officer, Liangchow.
Mr. C. J. Bennett, second officer, Liangchow, has gone second officer, Anhui.
Mr. B. J. Walsh, second officer, Tuckwo, has gone second officer, Kutwo.
Mr. N. D. Fletcher, from reserve, has gone second officer, Loongwo.
Mr. G. Townsley, on joining the Indo-China S.N. Co., has gone third officer, Yatsing.
Mr. W. S. McArthur, on joining the Indo-China S.N. Co., has gone extra third officer, Yatsing.
Mr. A. L. Jones, third officer, Yatsing, has gone second officer, same ship.
Mr. J. Rees, second officer, Yatsing, is on reserve.
Mr. A. B. Omond, from reserve, has gone chief officer, Yatsing.
Mr. G. H. Hodgson, chief officer, Yatsing, is on Home leave.
Mr. A. Aitken, second engineer officer, Shuntien, is on reserve.
Mr. H. Macdonald, from reserve, had gone second engineer officer, Shuntien.
Mr. R. F. Young, second engineer officer, Sochow, has gone second engineer officer, Changsha.
Mr. D. H. Maxwell, second engineer officer, Poyang, has gone second engineer officer, Sochow.
Mr. R. Howie, third engineer officer, Chinkiang, has gone third engineer officer, Chungking.
Mr. D. I. Greer, third engineer officer, Chungking, is on reserve.
Mr. R. Baillie, second engineer officer, Kiukiang, is on reserve.
Mr. A. B. Brown, from reserve, has gone second engineer officer, Kiukiang.
Mr. A. T. Perry, from reserve, has gone chief engineer officer, Kutwo.

PASSENGERS

Departures.

Per R.M.S. Empress of Japan, on August 7:—Mr. S. M. Alenakig, Mr. Geo. T. Costello, Mr. D. C. Kang, Mr. Cheung Jung, Mrs. B. H. Chau, Miss J. Chau, Mrs. Chang Cheung, Mrs. A. Cheung, Mr. G. W. Cockburn, Mr. and Mrs. Chen Feng Sing, Mrs. W. M. Christie, Mr. Chen Nai Wu, Mr. Cheng Hing, Mr. K. C. Chau, Mr. Chang Pui Fan, Mr. Chen Man Sing, Mrs. E. Dzinburaki, Mr. E. G. Dowley, Miss Chen Shat Ying, Mr. Wugene Woerner, Mr. M. M. Freeman, Mr. H. R. Forsyth, Mr. Feng Yu Sing, Miss S. C. Fung, Mr. Fong Chik, Mr. Fong Chien Nam, Mrs. A. Gill, Mr. S. Howard, Mr. J. M. Hykes, Miss G. Heard, Mr. J. M. Harris, Mr. Jackson H. Lao, Mr. O. Kanestrom, Miss Kirkwood, Mr. X. N. King, Mr. P. W. Kang, Mrs. E. C. Lyson, Mr. Lee Leung, Miss Leona W. Chung, Mr. and Mrs. Lim Cheng Kung, Mrs. J. Lamsum, Mr. Leong Bing, Mr. X. P. Law, Miss Leong, Mr. K. Y. Leong, Miss F. Lee, Mr. and Mrs. V. C. Leung, Mr. Lee Bang, Mr. Leong Lok Lee, Mr. Lai Wan Chu, Mr. H. S. Law, Mr. and Mrs. Lui York Sing, Mrs. Lui Lei Kon, Mr. Lee Yen Jack, Mr. T. Megarry, Mr. R. T. McDonnell, Mrs. Mak Lau Chim, Mrs. S. Niki, Miss M. Niki, Mr. M. O. Kubo, Mr. W. M. Peters, Mr. Pon Shih Sung, Mr. Shum Yet Chun, Miss C. R. Schultz, Miss L. Schultz, Mr. A. Simoes, Mr. Sung Yun Chan, Mr. Geo. H. Siem, Mr. B. S. Scott, Mr. A. Shalmin, Mrs. N. Stevenson, Miss T. A. Stevenson, Mrs. Ewd. Stone, Mr. G. Towns, Mr. Ng Ting Ton, Mr. Tse Sin Ting, Mr. Tse Tsok Kai, Mrs. F. Thorngood, Miss L. Thorngood, Mr. Tam K. Cho, Mr. Tang Kon Hen, Mr. Tang Kan Han, Mr. Wong Lau Chide, Mrs. T. T. Wong, Dr. A. S. Wong, Mr. and Mrs. N. G. Wood, Mr. M. O. Welles, Mr. R. H. Welles, Mr. Ho Wei Chou, Mr. J. Wrigley, Mr. J. M. G. Willemer, Mr. and Mrs. O. Wallace and family, Mr. Woon Hiou Ya, Mr. Wong Mun On, Mrs. Wong Kwok Soon, Mr. Young Hoon Yuen, Miss N. H. Yu, Miss S. N. Yu, Master C. S. Yu, Mr. and Mrs. Yu Yuen Fuh, Mr. W. D. Zinbinski, Mr. J. Plechner, Miss E. Plechner, Mr. J. Birn, Mr. Butterworth, Mrs. Chee, Mr. and Mrs. Allan Cameron, Mr. Y. Chung, Mr. and Mrs. Chung Wah Shung, Mr. Jay Dick, Mr. J. J. Davies, Pipe Major W. C. K. Mackie, Mr. C. Mon Fay, Mr. E. Fong, Mr. J. A. Shaw, Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Thorne, Mr. and Mrs. Tyson, Mr. Woolley, Mr. James Der A. Wing, and Mr. O. Z. Van Sandick.

EASTERN NEWS IN BRIEF.

PARS FROM EVERYWHERE.

The *Eastern Times* says that a farmer's wife in Hsuen Ninghsien, Yunnan, gave birth this summer to two sons who have their respective limbs, but who have but one common head.

The Government Bank established in Peiping by the Northern militarists was formally opened last week in the presence of Mr. Chia Ching Teh, Marshal Yen Hsi Shan's personal representative. The bank will shortly issue notes to the value of \$50,000,000.

Said by Reuter to have been heavily involved in debt Madame Oermgen Stockli, owner of a dancing-school at Shameen, committed suicide by taking poison last week. She was the daughter-in-law of Mr. L. K. Kentwell, a former Shanghai barrister and now owner of *China Truth*.

The Japanese Legation, in a letter to the Waichiaopu, denies allegations which have been made by the Chinese Shipowners Association to the effect that Chinese vessels have been forbidden by the Japanese harbour authorities in Dairen to carry goods from that port to Japan.

The managing director of the Tientsin-Pukow Railway appointed by General Yeh Hsi Shan has issued an order saying that, from August 1, only the "war zone notes" issued by the Northern militarists will be accepted by the railway office for the purchase of tickets and no cash.

A reduction of over \$300,000 in the annual administrative expenses was decided upon at a meeting of Nanking Municipal Government last week when the budget for the 19th fiscal year (1930-31) came up for consideration. The amount thus saved will be devoted to various public works for the Municipality.

The State Council, at its 87th meeting in Nanking last week, ordered that appropriate compassionate grants be conferred upon the family of the late Mr. T. C. Chao, Director-General of the China Merchants Steam Navigation Co., who was assassinated in Shanghai while engaged in the performance of his duties.

It is reported that an order is to be issued by the Chekiang Provincial Government strictly prohibiting cigarette smoking amongst minors. This step is due to a petition from the Hangchow District Party Headquarters pointing out that the health of the younger generation being vital to the development of a strong nation, measures should be taken to prevent young boys and girls from "ruining their physical constitution" by the acquisition of the habit.

SHIPS THAT PASS!

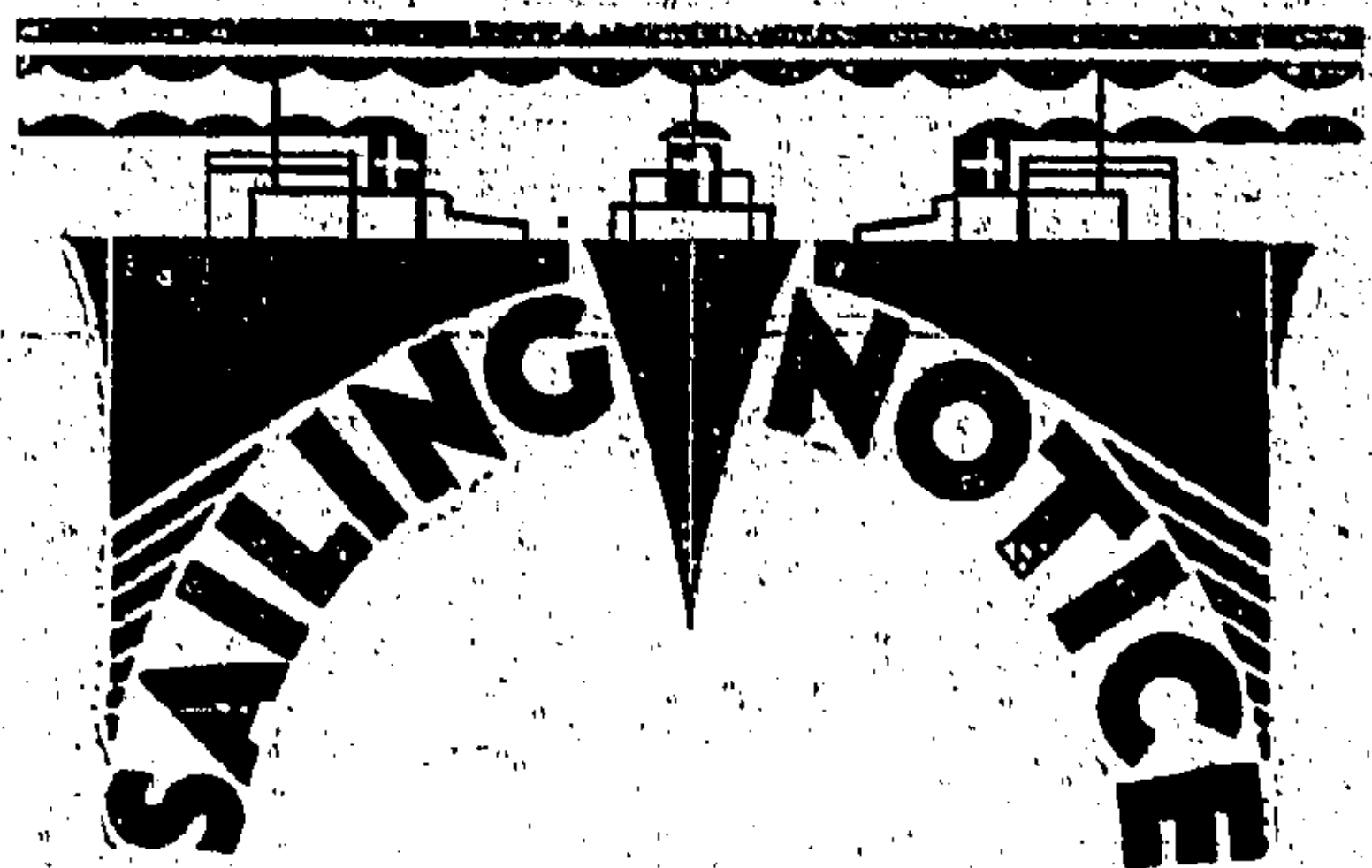
QUARTER'S LOSS OF 210
VESSELS.

A return, showing all ship of 100 tons and upwards, totally lost, condemned, etc., during the quarter ended December 31, 1929, has been issued by Lloyd's Register of Shipping.

The gross reduction in the mercantile marine of the world from all causes during that period amounted to 210 vessels of 326,186 tons gross. Of these, 186, of 178,177 tons gross, actually ended their careers in consequence of casualty or stress of weather; the remainder were broken up or condemned.

It is noteworthy that the percentage of casualties to the number of ships owned is lower in the case of the United Kingdom than in that of any other country, amounting to only 0.22 per cent. This may be regarded as a tribute to the care with which British ships are constructed and navigated.

The largest ship lost was the steamer Fort Victoria, 7,784 tons gross, belonging to the Bermuda and West Indies Steamship Company, which was sunk in collision off Sandy Hook.



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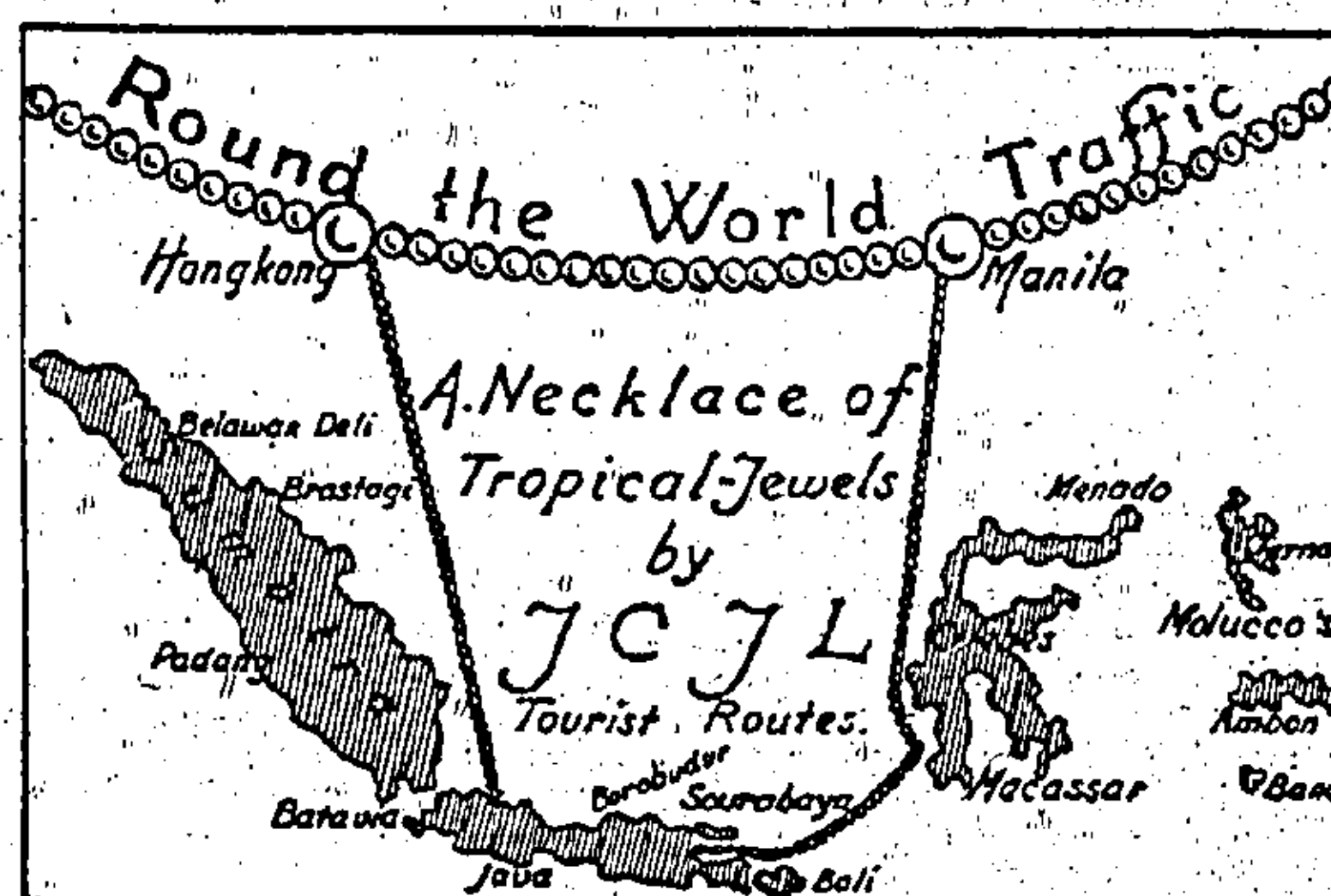
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TJISALAK	K'LONG & AMOY	24th Aug.	26th Aug.	BATAVIA

NORTH BOUND.

STEAMERS	FROM	EXPECTED ON OR ABOUT	WILL LEAVE ON OR ABOUT	FOR
TJISAROE	JAVA, MAKASSAR	15th Aug.	17th Aug.	SWATOW & AMOY
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Money and Markets

HONG KONG SHARES.

BENJAMIN & POTTS' WEEKLY REPORT.

With the exception of the more popular investment stocks there has been a considerable setback in prices during the week. This depression has been caused not so much by genuine selling, but to the raid made by the "bear" element to bring down prices during the dull period which generally prevails at this time of the year. The result of this has been selling out by weak holders but the depression is likely to be only temporary, and the market already shows signs of revival.

Banks.—Hong Kong and Shanghai Banks are unchanged in London at 2107.10 (middle), and were again negotiated locally at 2115.15.

Marine and Fire Insurance.—Unions are slightly firmer with buyers at 2437 and sales reported at 2440. Hong Kong Fire Insurance advanced to 2980. Cantoners are quiet, but steady at 2945. China Fire Insurance is in demand at 2400. Underwriters fetched 22.55.

Shipping.—Douglas Steamships are in request at 2241. Steamboats are wanted at 2241, and sales were made at 223. Waterboats are still quoted at 232 but might be had below this rate.

Docks, Wharves and Godowns.—A decline has occurred in Kowloon Wharves, shares being on offer at 2167 after business at 2165. China Provident have weakened and were sold down to 25.10. Whampoa Docks are to be had at 239 and possibly cheaper. Hongkong Wharves have buyers at 215.20, and Shanghai Docks at 215.17 ex the dividend of 11s. 11d. recently paid.

Lands, Hotels and Buildings.—Hong Kong and Shanghai Hotels have further weakened and were dealt in down to 210 but closed firmer with buyers at 210.20. Realty is enquired for at 29.20 after transactions at 29. Hong Kong Lands are quoted at 28.25 to-day. Humphreys Estates were booked at 215. Shanghai Lands are quoted at 21.29, ex the interim dividend of 11s. 3d. just paid.

Public Utilities.—Hong Kong Electric was dealt in at the outset at 278, but each share changed hands. China Lights (Old) have had a further setback, the market falling to 223. Hong Kong Trams have also weakened and were sold down to 218. The Directors of this Company have declared an interim dividend of 40 cents, which is 10 cents less than what they paid for the previous year. "Star" Ferries are quoted 286 and ought to be had at this rate. Peak Trams (Old) continue in request at 212. There are buyers of Telephones (Fully Paid) at 232 while the (Partly Paid) shares were put through at 221.60.

Miscellaneous.—Green Island Cements (Combined) were the medium of a fair turnover at 217.65/217.90. Hong Kong Ropes are a shade lower and were placed at 210. Dairy Farms have eased somewhat and were put through at 224. There are buyers of Hong Kong Government Loan at 8 per cent. premium.

Cotton Mills.—Ewos have strengthened and are enquired for at 212. Shanghai Cottons are unchanged.

Rubbers.—There has been a further drop in the price of the raw material to 5d. per lb. The following are to-day's cable quotations from Shanghai:—

Anglo-Javas	6.00 Buyers.
Anglo-Dutch	3.30 "
Batu Anans	1.15 "
Chemors	1.15 "
Consolidated	2.15 "
Kroonwicks	1.20 "
Repahs	1.20 "
Tanah Merabs	1.70 "
Tobago	1.70 "
Zianguas	5.80 "

Exchange.—The T.T. rate on London is 1/3.5/16 and on Shanghai 23.

Forward Settlement Days.—August 22, September 30 and October 28, 1930.

ANOTHER SUBSTITUTE FOR RUBBER.

SAP OF THE MEXICAN SAGE PLANT.

[UNITED PRESS.]

Salinas, Calif., August 1.—The Intercontinental Rubber Co. has built a plant here at a cost of \$2,500,000 for the manufacture of a synthetic rubber from a species of Mexican sage.

The plant will have a capacity of 10,000 lb. a day.

Guayule is a perennial herb of the aster family, the inspissated sap of which furnishes a substitute for rubber.

AMERICA'S NEED OF SOVIET TRADE.

WELL-KNOWN BUSINESS MEN ON STABILIZATION.

[UNITED PRESS.]

Williamstown, Mass., August 1.—Speaking before a round table discussion of the Institute of Politics to-day, Mr. Ivy Lee, publicist representative of the Rockefeller interests, and chairman of the institute's general conference on Russian internal conditions, urged that the United States conduct friendly trade relations with Soviet Russia in the interests of world peace.

Such trade, he declared, is necessary in order to stabilize the commerce of the world. In his opinion a would be beneficial to all concerned.

Col. Hugh Cooper, consultant engineer of the Dnieper River Hydroelectric Project, told the audience that the United States cannot afford to ignore Soviet Russia, whose undeveloped natural resources exceed those of the remainder of Europe in combination.

Anglo-Soviet Deadlock.

Moscow, August 1.—It is understood that the British-Soviet negotiations for settling the Russian pre-war debts will be postponed until the early part of next year as a result of new differences having arisen between Moscow and London regarding the procedure at the conference. The Soviet delegation which, on its way to London, had already arrived in Berlin, has suddenly been recalled to Moscow.

U.S. FEDERAL RESERVE BANK RATE.

[THROUGH REUTERS' AGENCY.]

SAN FRANCISCO, August 7.—The Federal Reserve Bank has reduced the rediscount rate to 3 1/2 per cent.

BERLIN STOCK EXCHANGE.

[UNITED PRESS.]

Berlin, August August 1.—The Stock Exchange opened weak and erratic. Trading was quiet but with the exception of some mining shares the majority recovered somewhat from the slump of the last few days.

EXCHANGE RATES.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

Paris	123.81
New York	4.87 1/2
Brussels	34.805
Geneva	25.043
Amsterdam	12.063
Milan	92.98
Berlin	20.383
Stockholm	18.105
Copenhagen	18.105
Oslo	18.165
Vienna	34.45
Prague	164 1/2
Helsingfors	193 1/2
Madrid	43.65
Lisbon	106.23
Athens	37 1/2
Bucharest	818
Rio	5 1/16
Buenos Aires	41
Bombay	1 1/2 1/4
Shanghai	1 1/4
Hong Kong	1 1/4
Yokohama	2 1/10 1/32
Silver (spot)	15 15/16
Silver (forward)	15 1/2

SOCIETY SCANDAL IN PARIS.

LADY OWEN SHOOT FRENCH WOMAN.

Paris, August 2.—French and international society in the French capital is shaken by a sensational affair. Lady Owen, who was believed to be the very wealthy widow of a former governor of Ceylon, one of the most popular and prettiest women of Paris society and known for her unconventional ways, shot dead the wife of Dr. Gastaud, the famous French radiologist and physician, with whom she had apparently been on intimate terms.

She was caught in Dr. Gastaud's villa with the pistol still in her hand.

The investigation revealed that unknown to the world Lady Owen had squandered the millions left by her husband and had married Francois Lorang, who has just been extradited to England for his share in the Hertz fraud.

When the detectives arrived to arrest Lady Owen she kept up the bluff of warning them that she was a close friend of the chief of the Paris police, M. Chiappe, and of the French Minister of the Interior so that they would be made to suffer for the "outrage done" to her which did not deter the detectives from effecting the arrest.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE.

LIGHTEST DAY'S TRADING FOR FOUR YEARS PAST.

SLIGHT RECESSIONS IN LEADING ISSUES.

[UNITED PRESS.]

New York, August 2.—Trading on the New York Stock Exchange was the lightest to-day in nearly four years, says the daily review of the Dow Jones Financial News Agency.

The opening was irregular and there were many slight recessions in prices of leading issues. Following this period, the utilities recovered and staged an advance. Consolidated Gas led and other utilities followed, with Consolidated closing up 2 1/2 to 107 and the Dow Jones average for 30 utilities up 33 for the day.

American Tel. & Tel. was up 1 1/2 to 210 1/2. International Tel. & Tel. held at 43 1/2. Radio Corp. was up 1 1/2 to 43 1/2. Columbia Gas was up 1 1/2 to 63 1/2. Southern California Edison was off a quarter to 53 1/2. Standard Gas was up 1 1/2 to 53 1/2 and Public Service of N.J. was up 1 1/2 to 91 1/2.

The weekly mercantile reviews reported that business was quiet, but Dunn's found an appreciable gain in retail distribution. Woolworth closed to-day off 1/2 to 59 1/2. Sears Roebuck was down 1/2 to 63 1/2 and Montgomery Ward was up a half-point to close at 30.

U.S. Steel closed up a point to 166 1/2 and the Dow Jones average for 30 industrials was up 33 to 234.50. Eastman Kodak was up a point to 210. American Can was up 1 1/2 to 129 1/2. Bethlehem Steel was up 1 1/2 to 31 1/2. Union Carbide was up 1 1/2 to 73 1/2. Tinkler Roller Bearing was up 1/2 to 67 1/2. International Combustion Eng. was up an eighth to 65 1/2.

The Dow Jones average for 20 rails was up 34 to 131.01. Pennsylvania was up an eighth to 73. Erie was up 1/2 to 41 1/2. Union Pacific closed at 220.

Among the amusements, Warner Bros. Pictures was up 1/2 to 35 1/2. Fox Film "A" closed at 43 1/2 and Paramount-Public was unchanged at 59.

General Motors was up 1/2 to 46 1/2. Packard was up an eighth to 14 1/2 and Chrysler was up 1/2 to 29 1/2. Sales for the day totalled only 366,090 shares.

QUOTATIONS.

New York, Aug. 2.

Market irregular.

Business done, 1,090,210 shares.

July Aug.

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Adams Express ... 26 1/2 27 1/2

American Can ... 130 1/2 128 1/2

American & Foreign Power ... 73 1/2 74 1/2

American Rolling Mill ... 53 1/2 54 1/2

American Smelting ... 53 1/2 54 1/2

American Tel. & Tel. ... 212 1/2 209 1/2

American Tobacco "B" ... 244 1/2 252 1/2

American Waterworks ... 93 1/2 94 1/2

Anacosta Copper ... 50 1/2 50 1/2

Atlantic Refining ... 37 1/2 37 1/2

Baltimore & Ohio ... 105 1/2 104 1/2

Bethlehem Steel ... 23 1/2 23 1/2

Borg Warner ... 15 1/2 15 1/2

Calumet & Hecla ... 186 1/2 188 1/2

Canadian Pacific Railway ... 104 1/2 103 1/2

Chicago Rock Island ... 29 1/2 29 1/2

Chrysler ... 29 1/2 29 1/2

Cities Service Common ... 104 1/2 103 1/2

Columbia Gas & Electric ... 17 1/2 17 1/2

Columbia Graphophone ... 14 1/2 14 1/2

Commonwealth & Southern ... 8 1/2 8 1/2

Commonwealth of S. Warr. ... 107 1/2 104 1/2

Consolidated Gas of N. Y. ... 21 1/2 21 1/2

Continental Oil ... 24 1/2 24 1/2

Corn Products ... 115 1/2 114 1/2

Curtis Wright Common ... 208 1/2 207 1/2

Da Pont de Nemours ... 32 1/2 32 1/2

Eastman Kodak ... 21 1/2 21 1/2

Electric Bond & Share ... 41 1/2 41 1/2

Erie Railway ... 44 1/2 44 1/2

Fox Film "A" ... 43 1/2 43 1/2

General Electric ... 70 1/2 69 1/2

General Motors ... 45 1/2 45 1/2

General Railway Signal ... 78 1/2 78 1/2

Gold Dust ... 40 1/2 40 1/2

Goodrich Rubber ... 23 1/2 23 1/2

Goodyear Tire & Rubber ... 62 1/2 62 1/2

Granby ... 23 1/2 23 1/2

Hershey Chocolate ... 23 1/2 23 1/2

International Cement ... 23 1/2 23 1/2

International Combustion Eng. ... 62 1/2 62 1/2

International Harvester ... 23 1/2 23 1/2

International Nickel ... 23 1/2 23 1/2

International Paper Co. ... 23 1/2 23 1/2

International Products Com. ... 23 1/2 23 1/2

International Tel. & Tel. ... 23 1/2 23 1/2

Johns Manville ... 38 1/2 38 1/2

Kennecott Copper ... 23 1/2 23 1/2

Kroger & Toll ... 23 1/2 23 1/2

Kroger Grocery ... 23 1/2 23 1/2

Liggett & Myers "B" ... 23 1/2 23 1/2

Loew's Inc. ... 23 1/2 23 1/2

DAILY SHARE QUOTATIONS.

HONG KONG STOCK EXCHANGE.

SHAREBROKERS' ASSOCIATION.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 8.

Buyers Sellers Sales Nominal

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Empress of Japan	Oct. 2	Oct. 5	Oct. 7	Oct. 17
Empress of Asia	Oct. 10	Oct. 13	Oct. 16	Oct. 23
Empress of Canada	Oct. 20	Oct. 23	Oct. 26	Nov. 1
Empress of Russia	Nov. 2	Nov. 5	Nov. 8	Nov. 14
Empress of Japan	Nov. 12	Nov. 15	Nov. 18	Nov. 29
Empress of Asia	Nov. 27	Nov. 30	Dec. 3	Dec. 12
Empress of Canada	Dec. 10	Dec. 13	Dec. 16	Dec. 27
Empress of Russia	Dec. 25	Dec. 28	Dec. 31	Jan. 9
Empress of Japan	Jan. 7	Jan. 10	Jan. 13	Jan. 24
Empress of Asia	Jan. 25	Jan. 28	Jan. 31	Feb. 13
Empress of Canada	Mar. 12	Mar. 15	Mar. 18	Mar. 27
Empress of Russia	Mar. 25	Mar. 28	Mar. 31	Apr. 11

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YESTERDAY'S FREIGHT RETURNS

IMPORTS 11,600 TONS;
THROUGH CARGO 28,900 TONS.

The returns, shown at the Harbour Office, of vessels carrying cargo to the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday were:—

Ship	Through	Imports
British	500	—
Lyeemooon	—	—
Hoihow	—	—
Soochow	—	—
Shanghai	250	450
Kwang Tung	—	—
Mire	2,040	—
Yatshing	—	—
Tsingtao	493	1,469
German	—	—
Lahn	—	—
Singapore	893	6,855
Anhalt	—	—
Bremen	615	6,552
Japanese	—	—
Haruna Maru	—	—
Yokohama	53	4,738
Nagato Maru	—	—
Yokohama	692	3,928
Kojun Maru	—	—
Newchwang	2,000	1,300
Lushan Maru	—	—
Shanghai	140	880
Sagara Maru	—	—
Keelung	1,039	1,000
Shinyo Maru	—	—
Los Angeles	933	—
Chinese	—	—
Tai Lee	—	—
Newchwang	1,500	700
Chian Lee	—	—
Dairen	450	1,200
Total	11,603	28,972

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES.

The arrivals and departures during the period under review were:—

Ship	Arr.	Dep.
British	4	10
German	2	0
Japanese	6	9
Chinese	2	1
Dutch	0	1
American	0	1
Dutch	0	2
Total	14	23

ASIATIC DECK PASSENGERS.

The following vessels brought Asiatic deck passengers to the Colony during the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday:—

Lyeemooon (British) Hoihow	277
Soochow (British) Shanghai	141
Swatow	141
Lushan Maru (Jap.) Shanghai	138
Total	554

WARSHIPS IN HARBOUR.

The following warships were in the harbour yesterday:—
Basin—Tamar, Seraph, Tarantula, Sepoy, Cicada.
North Arm—Serapis, Motto.
Foreign Men of War—Portuguese cruiser Adamastor, French gunboat Vigilante.

The S.S. Talma left Singapore for this port on the 7th instant and is due here on the 12th instant.

ARRIVALS.

August 7.

Anhalt, German str., 4,047 tons, Capt. H. Klare, from Manila, Kowloon Wharf—Melchers & Co.
Chian Lee, Chinese str., 1,350 tons, Capt. K. Ishii, from Swatow, buoy No. B9—Yee Tai Hong.
City of Athens, British str., 4,187 tons, Capt. H. Pergival, from Singapore, Holt's Wharf—Bank Line & Co.
Malacca Maru, Japanese str., Japanese str., 3,211 tons, Capt. M. Sumi, from Singapore, Kowloon Wharf—N.Y.K.

August 8.

City of Madras, British str., 3,048 tons, Capt. E. J. Miles, from Keelung, buoy No. A2—Bank Line.
Haruna Maru, Japanese str., 6,311 tons, Capt. S. Imemoto, from Shanghai, buoy No. A1—N.Y.K.
Kanagawa Maru, Japanese str., 3,669 tons, Capt. M. Minakami, from Singapore, buoy No. A2—N.Y.K.
Kueichow, British str., 1,220 tons, Capt. D. Williams, from Canton, buoy No. C35—B. & S.
Lahn, German str., 5,300 tons, Capt. T. Minssen, from Singapore, buoy No. A29—Melchers & Co.
Lyeemooon, British str., 1,734 tons, Capt. E. Holmes, from Hoihow, buoy No. B34—Kwong Nam & Co.
Nagato Maru, Japanese 4,374 tons, Capt. H. Tanaka, from Sakito, Kowloon Wharf—N.Y.K.
Tea, British str., 1,331 tons, Capt. R. Allinson, from Swatow, buoy No. B34—B. & S.

The E. & A. Co.'s s.s. Tanda left Manila for this port on the 7th instant with the outward Australian Mails, and is due here on the 10th instant at about daylight.

CLEARANCES.

August 8.

Anhalt, for Shanghai.
Chian Lee, for Canton.
Chung Kong, for Tourane.
Hai Ning, for Amoy.
Haruna Maru, for Singapore.
Kanagawa Maru, for Kobe.
Kojun Maru, for Hankow.
Lahn, for Keelung.
Nagato Maru, for Singapore.
Natica, for Tarakan.
Tea, for Canton.

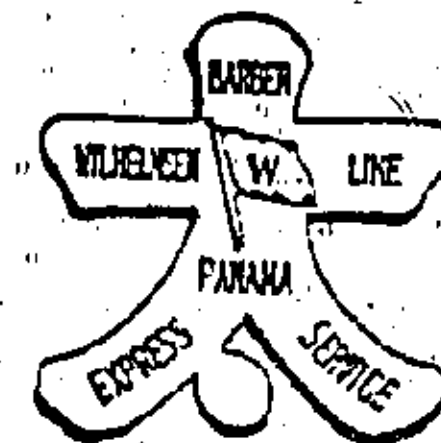
SHIPS IN HARBOUR.

The following merchant ships were in port yesterday:—

Wharves:—Kowloon: Nagato Maru, Shinyo Maru; Holt's City of Athens; O.S.K.: Haruna Maru; Douglas Lapaik: Haining; Quarry Bay: Tjipondok.
Docks:—Kowloon: No. 1 Fire Float, Adamastor, Ferry Man Tack, Ulrikka, Rizal, Torborg, Vigilante, Planorbis; Taikeo: Kaimilos, Hong Kheng, Natica, Solen, Hupeh; Cosmopolitan: Waishing, Gustav Diederichsen.
Buoys:—A1 Haruna Maru, A4 Anhalt, B9 Chian Lee, B30 Changkiang, B34 Antung, A35 Kojun Maru, A36 Kiangsu, A39 Lahn, B36 Tai Lee, C37 Chun Kong, B38 Lyeemooon, C40 Helikon, C48 Hin Sang, A52 Patagonia.

The R.M.S. Empress of Asia arrived at Shanghai yesterday and is due at Hong Kong this morning and is due at Hong Kong on the 11th instant at noon. She will leave Hong Kong on the 12th instant at 5 p.m.

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"KIDDERPORE"	5,334	19th Aug.	Straits, Colombo, B'ham & Karachi.
"KASHMIR"	8,955	30th Aug.	Mars. L'don, Hull, B'dm & A'warp.
"MANTUA"	10,946	13th Sept.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
"ALIPPORE"	5,373	17th Sept.	Straits, Colombo & Bombay.
"KASHGAR"	9,038	27th Sept.	Mars. L'don, Hull, B'dm & A'warp.
"MALWA"	10,950	11th Oct.	Marseilles & London.
"KHYBER"	8,114	25th Oct.	Mars. L'don, Hull, B'dm & A'warp.
"MACDONIA"	11,120	8th Nov.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
"NAGPORE"	5,223	15th Nov. (Mars.)	L'don, Hull, B'dm & A'warp.
"KARMALA"	9,128	22nd Nov.	do.
"RAWALPINDI"	16,619	6th Dec.	Bombay, Marseilles & London.
"KALYAN"	9,144	20th Dec.	Mars. L'don, Hull, B'dm & A'warp.
1931			
"RANCHI"	16,650	3rd Jan.	Marseilles & London.
"KASHMIR"	8,955	17th Jan.	Mars. L'don, Hull, B'dm & A'warp.
"COMORIN"	15,132	31st Jan.	Marseilles & London.
"KASHGAR"	9,038	14th Feb.	do.
"MALWA"	10,950	28th Feb.	do.
"MACDONIA"	11,120	14th Mar.	do.
"RAWALPINDI"	16,619	28th Mar.	do.

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"TALA WA"	10,006	18th Aug.	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta
"TALA MA"	8,018	23rd Aug.	do.
"SHIRAZ"	8,541	9th Sept.	do.
"TALA MA"	10,000	11th Sept.	do.

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"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	3rd Oct.	do.
"NELLORE"	6,853	31st Oct.	do.

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SAILINGS TO SHANGHAI AND JAPAN

Ship	Tons	From Hongkong	Destination
"TANDA"	6,956	12th Aug. 6 a.m.	Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"ALIPPORE"	5,373	12th Aug. Noon	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"TALA MA"	10,000	14th Aug. 6 a.m.	Amoy, Moji, Kobe, Y'ham & Osaka.
"MANTUA"	10,946	15th Aug.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"SHIRAZ"	7,541	22nd Aug.	Amoy, S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Osaka.
"KASHGAR"	9,038	29th Aug.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"BERREIMA"	9,005	31st Aug.	Shanghai & Kobe.
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"NOBEA"	10,944	10th Oct.	do.
"KARMALA"	9,128	19th Oct.	do.
"MACDONIA"	11,120	24th Oct.	do.
"BENALLA"	11,120	27th Oct.	Shanghai & Kobe.
"RAWALPINDI"	16,619	7th Nov.	S'hai, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KALYAN"	9,144	22nd Nov.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"RANCHI"	16,650	5th Dec.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama.
"KASHMIR"	8,955	20th Dec.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Y'ham.
1931			
"COMORIN"	15,132	2nd Jan.	S'hai, Moji, Kobe & Y'ham.
"KASHGAR"	9,038	17th Jan.	do.
"MALWA"	10,950	31st Jan.	do.
"MACDONIA"	11,120	14th Feb.	do.
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